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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

PUT in screens.

THE man who sits down on a tenpin may not remark that he has felt that pin-a-fore, but he certainly performs a comic hoppery.

THE big safe at J. Millikin & Co.'s bank this forenoon was supplied with one of Sargent's Chronometer Time Locks.

BEST and cheapest assortment of varnishes in the city at Irwin's drug store, corner west of post office.

THE Sangamon county board of agriculture have resolved not to permit match races at their coming county fair.

AND still the rush continues at W. C. Armstrong's for the celebrated nickel "Telephone" cigar.

THE city has purchased six of Fred. Norman's street scrapers, and they are now in use and doing good service.

THERE are five women and one man in the city calaboose "living out" fines assessed against them.

THE walking match at the tabernacle is exciting much interest in sporting circles. Winebrenner and Downing have entered.

"BABY MINE" is a Catholic song over a hundred years old, and still the people of the 19th century in all lands are being lured to death with it.

NO BETTER barber shop in Central Illinois than Young & Norman's. Have your work done there, and get tickets besides which may secure you a prize.

A YOUNG mother must have some rest. But how is this to be accomplished, when the baby is restless and cries constantly? Simply by using Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup.

IT is quite probable that the high school commencement exercises will be held at the opera house on the forenoon of Friday, June 6th, and not at the tabernacle as has been announced. The dripping tar is the main objection to the last named place.

THE man who is too tired to go to the bakery for a loaf of bread at supper time, is often times able to walk around a billiard hall 250 times without distress a few hours later.

IN the billiard match at Chicago the other night Shaefer got away with Slosson in three runs, making the unheard of average of 333⅓. So far as we can learn there is not a billiardist in Decatur who can beat this remarkable record.

ON Sunday, June 1st, Conductor J. S. Campbell will give the second and last grand excursion of the season from Decatur to Peoria, over the P., L. & D. Railway.

WE have received a copy of the Chanute (Neosho county, Kan.), *Times*, containing an extended notice of the marriage at that place on the 17th inst., of Mr. Millard Ruff and Miss Adelia McCune, a young lady who has many friends and acquaintances in Decatur. The bride wore an elegant brown silk. Her attendants were Misses Grace Brewer and Alice McCune. The bridegroom, we should judge from the account, is one of Chanute's wealthy society young men. At the reception on the evening following the cornet band serenaded the happy couple, and everything was conducted on a grand scale. Good luck to them.

A RARE DRAMATIC TREAT.—Miss Annie Pixley, supported by a select company, will appear at the Opera House on Wednesday evening, May 28th, as Miliss the Child of the Sierras, from Bret Harte's story of Miliss. This company left New York last September, and since that time have visited nearly every principal city in the country and met with success everywhere. They open in Chicago the week after here. The prices will be 35, 50 and 75 cents. No extra charge for reserved seats.

FOR a full line of the latest sheet music, music books, instructors, violins, accordeons violin and guitar strings and musical merchandise generally, call on J. S. Hand & Co., in postoffice block.

May 15—wtf

OBITUARY.

A Sketch of the Life and Work of a Good Minister.

A citizen of Niantic sends us the following tribute in memory of Rev. Dr. J. W. Ballinger, notice of whose death on the 15th appeared in the REPUBLICAN of the 16th:

Dr. Ballinger was born Feb. 13, 1837, near Emerson, Marion county, Mo. He moved to Niantic in 1871, and for five years his energy, judgment and best efforts had been directed to the building up and advancing the interest and cause of Christ in this community. He labored for the good of others. And when the grave closed over all that was earthly of Mr. Ballinger strong men wept as for a brother. No man of this community had so firm a hold on the affections of his fellow-citizens, and when the word passed from lip to lip, "J. W. Ballinger is dead," there was sorrow as sincere as the dead man was noble.

The funeral discourse was preached in the Christian church at Niantic, by G. W. Goode, of Harristown, and the crowd that assembled on this occasion was one of the largest ever assembled on a similar occasion at this place, and was composed of men and women of every creed and condition, who came not to witness the pageantry and show of the occasion, but with one purpose, with heads bowed, and hearts chastened, they came to mingle their tears with the tears of affection of the stricken wife. In the time to come the busy scenes of an active life may, for a time, dispel the ghost of memory; but down deep in the hearts of men who know him are sacred recollections of acts of kindness done and words of kindness spoken, that will make the memory of J. W. Ballinger a sacred heritage in the hearts of all, especially the poor, who have felt the blessings of his noble charity. In the loss of the deceased the community has suffered a bereavement, while his wife has lost a loving companion, the memory of whom will form a green spot on memory's page, never to be forgotten nor obliterated by the flight of time; and we feel that the truest friend of humanity, the noblest pattern of manhood, the brightest, purest character among us, is gone. The wife has the sympathy of all. But there is no sympathy so sacred, no love so pure and abiding that will relieve the natural cravings of the bleeding heart; and there is but one hope, and one faith, that will still the heartache, and may that "wisdom that passeth all understanding" teach her to pass under the rod.

THE MACON MARSHAL BOUNCED.—On the evening of the 14th inst., a man in a drunken state, who got on board the southward-bound passenger train on the Illinois Central road at the depot in this city, used insulting language in the presence of a lady from Macon, and otherwise conducted himself in an ungentlemanly manner. The initials of this man's name are Owen Finnigan, and he was at that time the distinguished boss of the police force of the city of Macon, in this county. The people of Macon were enraged at the disgraceful conduct of their trusted official, and when the city council met on Friday evening last, by a unanimous vote Mr. Finnigan was promptly bounced from his position of honor, danger and emolument. Mr. Finnigan has not shown up at Macon since the 14th, but his whereabouts is a matter of little or no concern to that people. His successor has not yet been appointed.

FAILED TO AGREE.—The jury in the John Blackburn case was discharged Saturday night about 10 o'clock by Judge Smith, having failed to agree upon a verdict. They stood six for conviction and six for acquittal. The accused is under bonds of $500.

From Tuesday's Daily.

CAPTURED AFTER MANY DAYS.—On or about February 23, 1878, Joseph Swift, —as he claimed, in self-defense,— fired at David Griffin with a shotgun, inflicting a slight wound, which has entirely healed. The row grew out of a quarrel about a single tree, and occurred at Swift's residence in Oakley township, in this county. It caused much excitement at the time, and Griffin's friends had Swift arrested and taken before Justice Landis, at Oakley, on Feb. 26th, where he was bound over to the circuit court in the sum of $150. By the advice of his friends, in the month of May, 1878, Swift packed up his household effects and left with his wife and four children for Woodlandville, Boone county, Mo., where he has been living, engaging in farming pursuits.—Several days ago Mr. Swift returned to Oakley, and on Friday last Constable Eli Ashby, who had a requisition from Gov. Cullom in his possession all these months, arrested him on a charge of making an assault on Griffin with intent to commit murder. Swift was brought to Decatur this morning, and is now in the county jail. His trial will probably come up at the present term of court.

MRS. GEORGE KILNER, died at Mattoon on yesterday afternoon of nervous prostration. She was the wife of Dr. George Kilner, who a year or so ago had an office at No. 35 North Main street, this city. She was a very estimable English lady, and has many friends here who will be pained to hear of her death.

THE COAL SHAFT.

How the Work is Progressing—A Few of the Benefits the D. C. Co. will be to this City.

Our reporter, in hunting up information concerning the coal shaft this forenoon, learns that Mr. Frank Frorer has all the necessary machinery and twenty carloads of lumber, which have been awaiting shipment over a week. As yet the contractor does not know where to unload his engines, boilers, and other materials, the delay being occasioned by the tardiness of property owners in executing leases giving the company the right to mine under lots. Owners of lots in the vicinity of the rolling mill grounds, who feel an interest in having the coal shaft sunk on the east side of the city, will do well to call at the office of Warren & Durfee, or at the office of Chambers, Bering & Quinlan, and fix up the papers to-day or to-morrow, as we understand the company will commence operations at some other point Wednesday morning, as they cannot afford to lose any more of this fine weather by waiting on procrastinating citizens. They will not commence work at any point until they have secured a clear field in the vicinity of their shaft, so as to secure proper ventilation they have to work around the shaft in getting the mine open for the employment of men.

It is a matter of indifference to the coal company where they sink the shaft so they are convenient for trains. Railroads will run their switches to them anywhere in the vicinity of Decatur; in fact, we understand they would prefer the river bottom or some of the neighboring ravines, as it saves expensive digging. Most of the larger tracts in the vicinity of the rolling mill grounds have been secured, but a few lot owners may stand in the way. All that own any considerable number of lots have made leases.

The coal shaft and mine means a good deal for the locality in which it is located. In brief it means a demand for tenement houses, plenty of boarders for landlords and landladies, a demand for vacant lots for miners' cottages, an abundance of customers for neighboring grocers, meat markets, etc., and a monthly expenditure for wages of $8,000 to $12,000.

Every property owner in the city should give the project every encouragement, as it will be of incalculable benefit to Decatur.

Honorary List.—The summer term of school, in district No. 4, township No. 16, closed May 17, with examination and picnic. The following names appear on the "roll of honor" for good attendance during the term:

Neither absent or tardy.

Mary Keely, Lizzie Jett.

Not absent.

Hattie Barber.

Not tardy.

Nannie Stevens, David Coay,
Emma Vroman, Robbie Jett,
Eddie Allen, Peter Sutton,
Eddie Keely, Dick Wiseman.

ANNIE RUSSELL,
Teacher.

H. B. DURFEE, who has been employed by the Decatur Coal Company to procure mining privileges, received a telegram this morning saying, "If you can not get leases in vicinity of rolling mill grounds, go where you can get leases." They are getting tired of waiting to know where to unload their machinery and lumber. Mr. Durfee says he will put in to-day in the vicinity of the rolling mill grounds, and failing there will commence in south or west part of the town to-morrow.

THE next session of the Illinois Conference will be held Sept. 17th, at Jacksonville, Bishop Andrews presiding. The conference convenes at least two weeks earlier than usual, and Bishop Andrews is one of the finest preachers and presiding officers on the board of Bishops, and this is his first visit to this conference.

Go to W. F. Busher & Co for BURT'S fine shoes and other brands, such as John Kelley, Rochester; Mace & Wicks, Philadelphia; Kenpendorf & Harts, Cincinnati, and a lot of other fine brands. We will make first-class sewed boots for $9.00; good pegged calf for $6.00. See our immense stock of walking slippers; Newport ties and button, for $1.

THE GREATEST BLESSING.

A simple, pure, harmless remedy, that cures every time, and prevents disease by keeping the blood pure, stomach regular, kidneys and liver active, is the greatest blessing ever conferred upon man. Hop Bitters is that remedy, and its proprietors are being blessed by thousands who have been saved and cured by it. Will you try it. See other column.

MARRIED.

In this city, at 8:30 o'clock Monday evening, May 19, 1879, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ellen Shipman, on West Main street, by Rev. D. P. Bunn, MR. CORWIN M. GREENMAN and MISS LILLIE E. BRISTOW, both of this city.

Only a few of the more intimate friends of the family were present. After the ceremony and congratulations the company partook of elegant refreshments, and everything passed off just like any other wedding.

The bride wore a rich black cashmere, beautifully trimmed, and a heavy gold necklace was the only ornament.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenman left for Chicago on the 10:40 train last night on a brief bridal trip. They will probably reside in Decatur.

FUNERAL CUSTOMS.

An Address to the Public.

We deem it a duty as christian ministers to utter a word of counsel to the people whom we serve, on a subject the delicate nature of which we fully appreciate, viz.: the burial of our dead. From our position as ministers of the gospel we are, perhaps, more fully cognizant of certain evils connected with the matter than others. Believing that these suggestions will be received in the same spirit that prompts them we recommend the following:

1. That no funerals be arranged to occur on the Lord's Day, except in cases where necessity may render it imperative. While the day with ministers is generally taken up with other duties, it seems unjust to unnecessarily demand of others the time which they may wish to use for rest and public worship. Besides, display on such occasions oftimes mocks genuine grief, and is not in harmony with the teachings of christianity.

2. That utility and simplicity should govern in the selection of burial cases and paraphernalia and all the details incident to the burial of our dead. Customs prevail which entail upon families in moderate circumstances debts which harrass them for a long time. The surroundings of funeral occasions are such that the nearest relatives are often deprived of all power to judge with calmness, or control expenditures with prudence. They satisfy themselves in giving the matter into the hands of others, with the single request that such a burial be given as custom demands. It needs, therefore, that custom be wisely regulated. The reforms of most immediate value which we would here suggest are these: That the duty of the public at funerals should generally be considered as ended when the religious service is concluded at the church or residence; that the family provide no carriages except for their own use; that the progress to the cemetery and the interment be private, for it is unseemly that the solemnities of death should be turned into a pageant.

3. That at all times the burial case be permanently and perfectly closed before the beginning of the religious services, wherever conducted. It frequently happens that the desire of relatives to obtain the latest possible sight of their dead prevents this until the close of such services. And the custom of affording an opportunity at the same time for all to approach and look upon the face of the dead, we believe also to be seriously objectionable; hence we advise the abolition of these practices, and for two reasons: First, from sanitary considerations. Medical science makes known numberless dangers as attended upon the presence of exposed dead bodies in crowded rooms. Second, great sorrow seeks retirement. It seems, therefore, in accord with the finest feelings of our common humanity that relatives should take their farewell while alone, and that the funeral notices indicate the time when the same privilege will be accorded all friends and the public, but always before the beginning of the obsequies.

W. H. PRESTLEY,
Pastor of Presbyterian Church.
W. R. GOODWIN,
Pastor of First M. E. Church.
W. R. COOVERT,
Pastor Church of God.
A. H. CHITTENDEN,
Pastor U. B. Church.
W. H. BATSON,
Pastor of Baptist Church.
W. H. MOORE,
Rector Episcopal Church.
N. S. HAYNES,
Pastor Christian Church.
J. R. LOCKE,
Pastor of Janes Chapel.
WM. SCHUETTE,
Pastor German M. E. Church.
D. P. BUNN,
Universalist Church.

CARRIED BY 118 MAJORITY.—The special election held on Tuesday on the proposition to issue $20,000 city bonds at 6 per cent. per annum, resulted as follows: For issuing the bonds—First ward, 45; second, 51; third, 87; fourth, 42; fifth, 56; total, 281. Against issuing the bonds,—First, ward, 44; second, 17; third, 47; fourth, 53; fifth, 7; total, 168; majority for, 113.

W. F. Busher & Co.'s is the place to get your boots and shoes made to order, at greatly reduced prices—every pair warranted to fit. Boots—Calf, Morocco, Kangaroo and Kid, plain or tongue, hand-sewed, $9.00; pegged, plain box or French toes, $6.00 to $7.00. Shoes—Buckle, Alexis, Congress, and Libby patent, and all the latest styles to suit. The ladies are particularly requested to examine our fine stock of fancy shoes and walking shoes, all kinds, ranging in price from $1.00 to that of the finest kid—button and embossed, latest styles. NOVELTIES—Our basket cloth top, in all colors, and nickel-plated heels.

Feb. 26-d&w3m

Try a sack of Shellabarger's "White Loaf"—new patent process flour.

Dec. 18—d&wtf

Ferriss' New Stock of Spring Goods suits everybody in style, quality and price.

April 30—d&wtf

To Bee Keepers.—Order your hives early. Queens, hives, honey boxes, comb foundation, smokers &c., &c, on hand and for sale cheap at my house.

may 21d2 w1 E. A. GASTMAN.

A RED-HOT FIRE.

The Stock Department of Roberts, Greene & Co.'s Coffin Factory in Ruins.

Loss, $25,000; Insurance, $6,800.

From Wednesday's Daily.

THE ALARM.

This morning about 6 o'clock an alarm of fire was sounded by the Catholic church bell and from the different hose houses.—The entire fire department was out in double quick time, when it was discovered that the stock department of Roberts, Greene & Co.'s coffin factory, on South Morgan street, was in flames. The firemen, under the direction of the excellent chief, Wm. Dodson, and his assistants, Hewes and Ehrman, went to work manfully, but owing to the fact that the building contained a vast amount of combustible material, such as dry lumber, shavings, paints, oils, etc., and the additional fact that a strong wind was blowing from the northeast, they were unable to stay the rapid progress of the fire, and in the brief space of one hour only the blackened walls remained to tell the story.

HOW IT ORIGINATED.

It has been the custom of the engineer, George Roberts, for the past three years to make a fire in his engine soon after five o'clock each morning, leave everything secure, and then go home to breakfast. This he did this morning, and while he was away the fire broke out in the engine room from a flying spark from the furnace, which ignited some shavings which were piled up in a corner of the room.—Mr. Barber, the engineer at the old Elwood planing mill, was the first man at the burning building, and he states that when he arrived the engine room was completely filled with smoke. He tried to break in the doors, but could not. The fire communicated first with the dry house south of the engine, and then with the main building.

THE LOSS.

The building destroyed was a three-story brick, with a basement, which was used as a painting room. The first floor had been used as a machinery room, and in the west end was the office of the establishment, containing shrouds, dry goods, and silks and satins. The second floor was used as a bench room, and was well-filled with coffins and cut lumber. The third floor was the finishing and storage room, in which were kept a large stock of fine coffins, and other valuable material. In the office was the safe, containing the books and accounts of the firm. An effort was made to remove it before the fire communicated with the office, but owing to the suffocating smoke all attempts to get at it proved fruitless. As the fire progressed the safe fell with a crash to the basement, and was protected from serious damage by a steady stream of water from a hose in the hands of a half dozen firemen. The entire loss is roughly estimated at about $25,000.

THE INSURANCE.

The burned building was erected about six years ago, at a cost of $9,500, and contained this morning stock and fixtures invoiced at $18,000. The insurance on the building, and contents, amounts to about $6,800, in the following companies: "Firemen's Fund," of California, and "Farmers," of York, Pa., Barnes & Tibbets, agents, $1,446.68; "Pennsylvania," Philadelphia, Rogers & Montgomery, agents, $1,446.68; "St. Paul" and "Manhattan," Overmire & Kaufman, agents, $1,446.68; also with a Chicago company, R. A. Waller, agent, $3,170.92; total, $6,510.06. In addition to the above there was an insurance of $3,000 on stock in the warehouse, which is probably damaged to the extent of $400.

A LUCKY MOVE.

This spring the firm erected a large two-story brick building north of the building burnt this morning, and about a week ago all the machinery used in manufacturing coffins was removed to this place, and had been in position and full operation for several days. The new building did not take fire, and all the machinery and a large number of coffins and other stock contained therein, are in a perfect state of preservation.

THE WAREHOUSE,

west of the new building, which escaped the fire, contained about 1500 finished and unfinished coffins. These were hastily removed to the street as soon as the fire broke out.

CALAMITIES AVERTED.

The fire raged with such fury that for a while it was feared that Faries & Oakes' Novelty Works, the Union Iron Works, and the Furniture Factory on the south, would ignite, but by the united effort of the department these calamities were averted, though it took a vast amount of headwork and muscle to do it. The roof of the Iron Works and A. B. Sloan's residence, west of the furniture factory, were on fire at one time, but both were promptly extinguished by a liberal dash of water. The residence on the corner of North and Morgan street, opposite the burning factory, occupied by Thos. H. Wingate, jr., was in danger, but, luckily, did not catch. The new paint is badly blistered. All the lumber on the premises belonging to the firm was protected and saved from the fury of the flames by the firemen.

FIRE BRANDS.

Roberts, Greene & Co. employed 25 men, and did a business amounting to about $60,000 a year. Their trade extended all over the country, and the firm was well known to the trade everywhere.

The business of the firm is at a standstill for the present. They cannot resume operations again for sometime to come, owing to the fact that the engine and boilers are ruined, the dry house damaged, and the main building totally destroyed. They will rebuild as soon as possible and continue their business as heretofore.

M. P. Murphy, who lives on South Main street, informs our reporter, that soon after the fire broke out he picked up a firebrand in his yard, which had been carried that great distance by the violent wind.

The "early birds" at the fire this morning were a little surprised at the weak pressure furnished by the water works.—The force of the six streams which were playing at one time, was too weak to shatter a pane of glass. This was caused by the bursting of a three-inch pipe in the burning building, and when the water which supplied this pipe was shut off, the pressure was as strong as can be furnished by a six-inch main.

A great number of valuable patterns for making different styles of coffins were destroyed—a loss which is quite severe. There were about 500 different patterns, and before operations begin these must be replaced in some manner. They were worth about $2,000, but could not have been bought of the firm for three times that amount.

THE FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association at Peoria—Full List of Prizes, Etc.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the State Firemen's Association held at Peoria on the 13th inst., all necessary arrangements were made for the state tournament at that place, commencing on Wednesday, Sept. 3d, 1879.

President Boynton, of Chicago; Secretary, Harl P. Christie; W. W. Foster, 3d vice president, Decatur, and the balance of the committee were present.

Chief White, of Peoria, stated that the subscriptions of the citizens of Peoria already made were a guarantee of enough to warrant the committee in offering prizes to competing companies aggregating two thousand dollars, and the committee proceeded to list, as follows:

THE PRIZES.

Hand Hose Companies—1st prize, $300 and state belt; 2d prize, $100; 3rd prize, $75.

Hook and Ladder Companies—1st prize, $200 and state belt; 2d prize, $100, 3rd prize, $75.

Steamers—1st prize, $100 and state horns; 2d prize, $50.

Hand Engines—1st class on distance, 1st prize, $300 and broom; 2d prize, $100; 3rd prize, $75; sweepstakes, $100.

Hand Engines—2d class, 1st prize, $100.

Chemical Engines—Double cylinder, 1st prize, $100; 2d prize, $50.

Chemicals—Volunteer, 1st prize, $100; single cylinder, 2d prize, $50.

The test of chemicals being the extinguishment of fire in buildings to be erected.

A half-mile run to be made by teams drawing steamers, chemicals or hose carriages against time, the winner in each branch to receive an elegant framed diploma, the photograph of the company and rig to be the center piece, of the value of $50.

One-half mile foot race, open only to men who have been regular members of one of the competing companies for at least a year previous to the tournament.

It was resolved that the gate fee should be 25 cents per head and 25 cents for any vehicle. Firemen's wives free.

The president named as superintendents of the trial of companies in the different branches:

On Hook and Ladder—Vice President Frank Babbitt.

On Hose—Vice Pres't Wm. W. Foster.

On Hand Engines—Vice Pres't L. W. Faulkner.

Chemical Engines—Vice Pres't A. W. Sawyer.

Steamers—Vice Pres't J. H. White.

It was decided that any company not taking part in the parade should not be allowed to compete for prizes.

Companies to enter with the secretary or Chief J. H. White, Peoria, by the 15th of August. The judges to be selected from a list of names furnished by companies in the different branches of service, and under the direction of the superintendent of each branch.

Six judges on hose and hook and ladder contests and three on other trials.

All protests of companies to be made to the companies. Appeals to the board of control.

It was also decided that the rules governing at Chicago in 1878 in regard to hose companies should be enforced this year.

At the meeting of the association Monday, Sept. 1st, Capt. W. W. Foster will deliver a ten minutes address on "The obligation of fire insurance companies to firemen," and Harl P. Christie an address on the "Care of Hose."

The parade and trial of chemical engines will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 3rd; and the races on Thursday, Sept. 4th.

The Decatur fire department will be fully represented.

To Bee Keepers.—I have a few black queens for sale at 50 cents each, during May. E. A. GASTMAN.

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NOVELTIES in dress linens, very handsome and very cheap, at Linn & Scruggs'.

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The Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1879.

THE city of Macomb, Ill., has a city council that is solidly Republican.

THE Supreme Court of Illinois consists of seven judges, of whom three (Sheldon, Scott and Baker) are Republicans, and four (Dickey, Walker, Craig and Scholfield) are Democrats. At the election in June Judge Baker is certain to be left out, and if Judge Scott should be defeated in this district the Republicans of the Republican state of Illinois would have just one-seventh of the Supreme Court. The people of this district who honestly believe in a non-partisan judiciary ought to vote for Judge Scott, for if he is defeated we will have only a single judge (Sheldon) to relieve our Supreme bench from the stigma of partisanship.

THE judicial election, June 2d, promises to call out a full vote in this district.

JUDGE SCOTT has been on the supreme bench two terms, and fairly deserves a re-election.

AND now the jolly tar of the raging Wabash intends to give the western boys a chance to get into the naval service, by sending a vessel up the Mississippi as far as St. Louis, with authority to recruit boys for the navy.

GOVERNOR CULLOM has issued a call for a special election in Piatt county, to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of the county judge, Hon. William McReynolds. The election will be held June 5.

THEY do say that the proposition to run Thurman for Governor of Ohio really emanated from that skillful manipulator of practical politics, Samuel J. Tilden. And now Thurman imagines that it is all a scheme to nip his presidential aspirations, by getting him snowed under in Ohio.

THE number of indictments quashed at the present term of the circuit court may seem somewhat remarkable, until the explanation is made that they have been quashed under a recent decision of the supreme court, which takes all this class of cases to the county court. The indictments were in no way defective, as may have supposed.

AT Madison, Wis., a Baptist clergyman of considerable local repute, was thrown, some months ago from a buggy, struck on his head, fracturing his skull, and lay for a good while in a state between life and death. He recovered finally, and is now in better health than he was before the accident. His friends are surprised, however, to learn that he has turned Unitarian, with a strong tendency to faith in Spiritualism. He does not pretend to explain the mental revolution he has undergone. All he knows is that he has totally changed his opinions, and he is unable at present to conceive how or why he could have cherished those he has, he says, relinquished forever. He used to be very hostile to Unitarianism, calling it the worst form of atheism; and now he wonders that the doctrine of Trinitarianism could have found lodgment in his brain. He does not ascribe the alteration in his views to any material cause, but to some new development caused, perhaps, by the crack in his skull and consequent change in the shape of his head. This is a new argument in support of phrenology, but it should act as a warning, also, to devout people, leading them to be more guarded against accidents to their beloved pastor's head, lest some untoward crack, depression or a flattening of the cranium may cause him to flop over in his tenets, and, perchance lead his whole flock grievously astray.

Will Prof. Grimes please cast the illuminating force of his philosophy upon this problem.

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DECATUR

AS IT APPEARS TO A STRANGER.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN: Having spent a few days, most pleasantly in your beautiful city, for which we are indebted to our friend Peter B. Sparks, intimately known for the past 23 years, now one of your citizens, engaged in the practice of his profession,—and having been so much delighted with our visit, a few words as to our observations may possibly prove interesting to your numerous readers abroad.

Decatur is certainly the most picturesque and centrally located city we have visited in Illinois. The perfect sanitary arrangements and healthy location you have, surprised me, to find my friend Dr. Sparks locating here, had he any serious intentions of amassing wealth by his profession. Being located in the geographical center of the state upon the line of the Wabash, Illinois Central, and six other railroads giving an outlet to all sections of the country, seems to you a prestige from a commercial standpoint, enjoyed but by few cities in Illinois.

We were especially delighted with your broad streets and avenues ranging in width from 80 to 100 feet, smooth as a floor, and scrupulously clean, and upon either side beautiful shade trees, that contribute so much in the ornamentation of a city, and so inviting in a summer day when old Sol is displaying his strength to the inhabitants of this little planet upon which we have been placed.

Then again the exquisite taste displayed by your citizens in ornamenting their homes with shrubbery and flowers exhibited a higher order of cultivation of the beautiful in nature only found occasionally in western cities. The numerous fine residences scattered in different localities are an evidence of prosperity worthy of note in this connection. The churches and public school houses, your high school building, theaters and tabernacle, are evidences of enterprise thrift and prosperity. Eleven churches, four large public school houses, a high school and a tabernacle with a capacity to seat 3,000 people, in a city of 12 to 13,000 people, reflect great credit upon the enterprise, religious tone, and educational appreciation of your citizens. The 80 business houses, are an evidence of being most favorably surrounded by a rich and prosperous agricultural community. The two principal hotels, the Priest House and St. Nicholas, now being repainted and repaired, evince the pride and enterprise of their proprietors. These hotels are kept in a style most creditable to your city, and strangers visiting Decatur have an assurance of most satisfactory hotel accommodation. The professions appear to be fully represented, 30 Lawyers are amply sufficient to stir up bad blood, that may be developed, and 30 Doctors can assist those who may by chance become sick to facilitate their journey to your beautiful cemetry in the south part of the city, of which we will refer more in detail before closing this article.

In speaking of doctors, we can assure you that in inducing friend my Dr. Sparks to locate in your city Decatur has secured a physician and practitioner of high standing in the medical profession. We have known Dr. Sparks for nearly a quarter of a century. He has occupied a most prominent position in the profession previous to his locating in your city; and while practicing the Homœpathic theory, he has been a close student in the investigation of all schools of practice, and as a surgeon has few superiors for a man of his age. Dr. Sparks' success, so far, has been marked, and he is destined to become one among the most popular and eminent practitioners of his day.

This is also the home of Richard J. Oglesby, whose defeat by Logan as his successor we regretted very much. Senator Oglesby, in our judgment, has proven himself to be one among the most able statesmen Illinois has ever had, and an honest man. The citizens of Decatur and Macon county may well be proud in having old honest Dick Oglesby as an honored citizen.

We were specially delighted with Greenwood cemetery, a fit prototype of the Greenwood of Brooklyn, N. Y., the most beautiful city of the dead in the United States, if not in the world.—Greenwood at Decatur, located upon a most picturesque knoll, with its undulating valleys, now being ornamented and laid out in drives and walks, will, ere long, become one of the most attractive cemeteries in the west, and reflect great credit upon the enterprise of the citizens of Decatur in making their burial place so beautiful. It has been somewhat unfortunate, however, that this sacred spot could not have been located upon some other knoll, equally adapted for the purpose, more remote from the sulphur springs and fountains of crystal cold water at the foot of the knoll upon which the cemetery is located.

These waters being so highly impregnated with sulphur, magnetic iron and phosphates make them unsurpassed in medicinal properties in the cure of dyspepsia and kindred diseases, general debility, &c. But their near proximity to the city of the dead will prove a great drawback in making Decatur a popular resort for invalids or pleasure seekers. The cold, crystal waters issuing from the hillside a few rods from the sulphur springs, can only be utilized for the purposes for which it is now used—for supplying the cemetery with water, and, by aid of the hydraulic ram, supplying the slaughter houses a mile to the south. Had these springs been discovered previous to the locating of the cemetery, Decatur would doubtless ere this time have been a watering place, and a resort to Illinois as Bedford now is to Pennsylvania—the mineral and cold springs being very similar.

Before closing this already too long communication, we must not forget the beautiful park, located near the center of the city, with its greenswards, broad avenues and walks, beautiful trees and elegant fountain, reflecting alike that enterprise so characteristic of your citizens.

The Holly water works, located upon the banks of the Sangamon river, a mile to the south, are worthy of note in this connection.

The Daily REPUBLICAN, under your management, is recognized by the citizens of Illinois as an able advocate of free speech and free institutions.

The Republican party has not yet filled its mission. The present extra session of congress is an epitome of what might be expected had Samuel J. Tilden been declared President. There appears to be a ruling providence guarding the interests of our young republic. President Hayes has exhibited nerve and a deep conviction of justice, in thwarting the plans of those who in 1861 would destroy our government, and now in 1879 more intent to carry out their devilish schemes. The Democratic party once in possession of the three branches of our government, would not only bankrupt the nation but undermine the proudest and best government that has ever existed upon the face of the earth. We say then, continue in giving battle to the enemies of of our country. Let us perpetuate the Republican party until the last rebel has found rest in the cities of the dead, and the flag of the United States becomes the proudest and most highly respected among all others that may float their colors over sea or land upon the face of the globe. N.

DECATUR, May 15th.

A GOOD PUFF.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN:—A stranger in your midst, I am impelled by gratitude to Mr. Hardcase, whose bread I have been eating, to tell you how great a man he is. Although he is not orthodox in his religion, no one has studied the history and faith of the sects more than he, and it will do any one good to hear him preach. I have known him for a quarter of a century; he was always a great man, and although he is "to fame unknown" it is not the fault of the man, but of the people. A giant in intellect, a prodigy of learning, pure in principle, and energetic in his heavenly calling, I marvel that the city of Decatur, so beautiful and so intelligent, does not offer homage to his greatness.

When I look at your beautiful residences, and gaze at your public places; when I see the skill of your mechanics and the enterprise of your merchants—how I long to see all of your people turned from the error of their ways, and pay homage to the greatness of my friend, with whom I have remained for the few days just past. Oh, my countrymen, why will you keep away from the truth? VIATOR.

HYMENEAL.

A Brilliant Wedding on North Water Street this Afternoon.

From Friday's Daily.

A very brilliant wedding occurred in our city to-day, at the residence of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Buck, on North Water street. The bride was Miss Lulu V. Low, neice of Mrs. Buck, and the groom was Dr. E. W. Weems, of Kansas. The beautiful marriage ceremony of the Methodist Episcopal church was read by Rev. W. S. Prentice, D. D., of Springfield.

The parlor was elegantly decorated with wild ferns, choice vines, and beautiful flowers and tasteful monograms adorned the walls. The happy pair presented themselves to the expectant company at one o'clock, under "Mendelssohn's Wedding March," artistically given on the piano by Miss Nettie Bowers. The bridal costume consisted of a rich creamy silk dress, tulle veil, with orange blossoms. The bridesmaid, Miss Nellie Kinney, wore a pale blue silk with white lace trimmings. The groom's attendant was Mr. William Hubbard.

Among the beautiful and valuable presents were a double set of solid silver table and tea spoons, cream and sugar spoons, knives and forks, by Rev and Mrs. Buck. Each piece had the bride's name engraved upon it with date of marriage. Butter dish, by Rev. Dr. Prentice and wife; flower vase, Miss Lizzie Prentice; pickle dish, H. B. and Laura Prentice; butter dish, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Crane, Shelbyville; silver card plate with porcelain holder, Misses Gillette and Rockwell, of Jacksonville; cake basket, Miss Nellie Kinney and W. Hubbard; ivory brush and comb, porcelain vases, L. Virginia Low; portmonnaie and case linen towels, Linn & Scruggs; napkin rings and set of glassware, May L. Hammitt; silver salt cases, Emma B. Hammitt; clock, Rev. and Mrs. H. O. Hoffman; bible, W. E. Hubbard and wife; castor, Jennie and Bobbie Hall; cake basket, Mr. and Mrs. Abbott—with many other beautiful and appropriate presents.

The company was served with a most superb dinner in party style. The dinner decorations were by Alf Bailey, and were most beautiful.

The couple go to Springfield this evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Weems will reside at McLean, Ill.

New Carpets constantly received by Linn & Scruggs. [may17-d&wtf.

FRIDAY, MAY 30.

Committees Appointed Last Night to Prepare for Decoration Day.

There was a fair attendance of citizens at the meeting held at the court house last night for the purpose of taking the initiatory steps for a proper observance of Decoration Day in Decatur.

On motion L. F. Muzzy was elected chairman and Weldon Coltrin was chosen secretary.

The meeting appointed the following committees, who will proceed at once to business:

FINANCE.

Jason Rogers, M. P. Murphey, L. L. Haworth, Theodore Nelson and David L. Hughes.

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

H. B. Durfee, D. S. Shellabarger, S. T. Keeler, R. Liddle and C. L. Griswold.

MUSIC.

D. L. Bunn, L. L. Ferriss, S. M. Lutz, Dr. S. J. Bumstead and Wm. H. Bramble.

FLOWERS.

First ward—Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. J. F. Holiday, Mrs. John Shellabarger, and Misses Nettie Bowers and Rosa Judson.

Second ward—Mrs. L. L. Haworth, Mrs. B. K. Hamsher, and Misses Ida Burrows, Elle Usrey and Ida Coltrin.

Third ward—Mrs. J. F. Roach, Mrs. Dudley, and Misses Helen Moore, Minnie Murphey and Bettie Ehrman.

Fourth ward—Mrs. J. M. Clokey, Mrs. J. R. Mosser, and Misses Nellie Johns, Lulu McKenzie and Bina Hatch.

Fifth ward—Mrs. F. M. Cox, Mrs. J. A. Brown, and Misses Nona Gipson, Lida Handy and Liza Perry.

The committee on general arrangements will appoint the marshal of the day, the chaplain and speakers, and also invite the veterans, the local military, the fire department, and other societies.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE.

Funeral of Mrs. Ida Moffitt May—Text of the Sermon by Dr. Goodwin.

From Saturday's Daily.

On yesterday afternoon at two o'clock the large auditorium of the First M. E. Church was well filled with our best people, who wished to pay their last tribute of respect to a lady well known and highly regarded in the various circles of the city. The deceased was a graduate of the Decatur high school, and for a number of years was a teacher in the third ward school. A large majority of the persons present yesterday were ladies, as the hour was such as prevented the business men of the city from attending. The floral decorations were unusually tasteful and appropriate, and were prepared by Miss Emma Gray, Miss Shaffer, Miss Nale, Mrs. Laura Brett, Mrs. L. L. Haworth and Mrs. C. Conklin. Excellent singing was furnished by H. L. Montgomery, Benton Blackstone, Mrs. Ida Armstrong and Miss Sallie Roe. Prof. Albert Condell presided at the organ in the absence of Mr. G. F. Wessels, and the organ was handled in his usual masterly manner.

"WHY SHOULD GOOD PEOPLE DIE?"

The pastor of the deceased lady, Rev. Dr. Goodwin, conducted the services, and Father Crissey, a particular friend of Mrs. May, offered a peculiarly appropriate prayer at the close. The sermon was about 30 minutes in length, and was listened to with the closest attention, and it seemed to make a deep impression upon the large congregation. We have room only for the text and a mere outline of the sermon. The text was the 4th verse of the 23d Psalm, and after the beautiful figures used in the text had been explained, the speaker first answered the question, "Why should good people die?" The answers given were that God's justice and impartiality demand this. The punishment, or result of sin, was to be death, and as all have sinned all must die; and the death of the good shows God's love for his children. The rewards of grace cannot be enjoyed here, for while in the flesh we cannot contain all that God intends we shall enjoy. We must die to obtain the full reward God intends to give his people. The speaker next noticed the reasons the christian has for fearing no evil in the dying hour. These are the presence of the Savior, the safety and comfort offered by his rod and staff. Only to those who love Jesus is such safety or comfort promised. Reference was made to the faith and the dying trust of the deceased, who was fully prepared for her departure.

The above is a very meager outline of the discourse. After the friends had taken a last look at the face of the dead, the long procession moved to the cemetery, where the burial service was read, and the loved form of Ida Moffitt May was laid away to rest till the resurrection morn.

The pallbearers were Geo. S. Durfee, I. W. Ehrman, O. B. Gorin, W. C. Armstrong, T. J. Abel and Cy. M. Imboden.

The bereaved husband and stricken parents and family have the sincere sympathy of many people.

Horses Wanted.—E. B. Pratt, at 37 North Church street, or at Culp's wagon yard, will pay the highest market price for horses suitable for the eastern market until May 27, 1879.

May 13—d3t w2t

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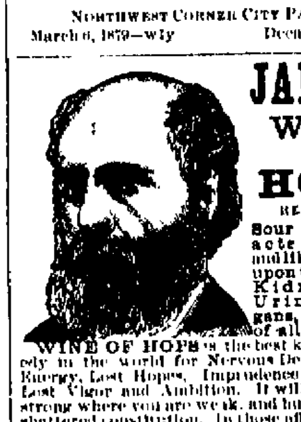

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Correspondence Chicago Tribune.

JACKSON, Miss., May 7.—"P'raps you don't know that I've built myself a gravestone. Wal, it's a fact. I've put $17,000 into it. I think it's prudent for a man to be his own administrator. It's business. And I'm going to be my own administrator. That's the reason I've built my gravestone for $17,000 cash before I died."

The speaker was Edward Richardson, of Jackson, Miss.,

THE MOST ACTIVE AND INFLUENTIAL BUSINESS MAN IN MISSISSIPPI,

if not in the south. He mused a moment, and continued with a chuckle:

"Did ye ever hear what Tom Young said about my gravestone? Tom had taken an extra toddy, and he looked at my statue—I have a life-size statue on the top of my gravestone—and he said, said Tom, 'There's old Ned Richardson, by heaven, with one eye on the Penitentiary and the other on the Capitol.'"

Old Ned Richardson is constantly after convict labor, and he is reputed to be the proprietor of the legislature when he wants to be, and his statue faces the Capitol and the Penitentiary, as Tom Young said it did.

Mr. Richardson lives in Jackson, but he has property interests all over the state. He owns nineteen plantations in the marvelously rich river country above Vicksburg, including parts of Washington and Issaquena counties and the Yazoo Districts. He has 18,000 acres under cultivation—15,000 of them in cotton. He raises above 10,000 bales, or 45,000,000 pounds of cotton annually. He has 3,000 acres in corn and oats, for the support of his stock and his people. And yet he has not land enough. Whenever a planter is hard-up and wants to sell his place for cash, he applies first to old Ned Richardson, knowing that from him he will get a cash offer, though a low one. I heard Mr. Richardson offer the owner of a plantation $8,000 cash for land which the latter valued at $15,000; and, though the offer was at first refused, I was under the impression that it would ultimately be accepted. Nor is Mr. Richardson's distinction derived only or solely from his plantations. He controls the cotton market to a higher degree than any other living man. He is

THE OLD "HUTCH" OF NEW ORLEANS.

When he takes snuff all the other brokers sneeze. As member of the first firm in point of volume of business, he receives and disposes of more than 100,000 bales of cotton annually. He is the heaviest exporter. He has constantly the largest supplies on hand. For instance, when cotton sold soon after the crop was marketed for eight cents and a fraction, he kept back the bulk of his crop. He has sold most of it since February. Last week he let a lot go for 11 and 12 cents. He still has 1,100 bales back, on which he expects to realize over 13 cents, as cotton is advancing. "If I hadn't waited," said Mr. Richardson, "I would have quit loser on the year. But I'll make a little something on last year's crop, and, if the indications for this year don't fail, or this exodus don't break things, I ought to clear $50,000 to $100,000 on this year." Mr. Richardson was not boasting. These statements were pried out of him by questions on other points. His shrewdness as a cotton-dealer is evidenced, moreover, by the fact that, while he is selling at the highest price, he bought at the lowest. As chief owner of

THE COTTON AND WOOLEN MILLS

at Wesson, Miss., in which he now runs 10,000 spindles and is putting in 5,000 more, he has to buy 4,300 bales of cotton annually near the mills, when he does not plant himself. All this was put in at eight cents and a fraction per pound. If it could be sold now the profit on it would be about $35,000. This would make it worth while to close the mills, but for the throwing of the operatives out of employment. It is not a simple thing here, where new hands would be hard to obtain, to shut down work and let the operatives go; and on this account Mr. Richardson has not attempted to reduce wages during all the hard times. He says, indeed, that

THESE COTTON MILLS ARE PROFITABLE,

and there is consequently no reason why wages should be reduced. The mills return about 12½ per cent. regularly on the capital invested. The cotton they use is all bought at the door, and costs usually two and a fraction cents less per pound than that used in Massachusetts. At the ordinary price of cotton last year this would be a difference of 25 per cent. in favor of the south. The labor here is also cheaper; and wherever the capital can be obtained at reasonable rates such enterprises, in the opinion of Mr. Richardson, are always bound to succeed.

Their success would mean more, he believes, also, than the profit of a few fortunate individuals. If there were as many cotton-mills in Mississippi in proportion to population as there are in Massachusetts, the labor problem would be solved. There would be a place to use labor which cannot now be employed in the field. Poor whites and members of the negro family who are now

BREAD-WINNERS.

Mr. Richardson cited a number of instances of absolute paupers, white and colored, who had become self-sustaining in his mills, and asserted that 435 out of the 550 employed therein would have done nothing for their own livelihood if they had not been offered these situations.

I asked why the mills were put at a distance from the river, apparently at an out-of-the-way place. The answer was that they were then in the midst of a rich wool-growing section. The mills use 1,300 to 1,400 bales of wool, or 600,000 to 700,000 pounds; and all the wool, as well as all the cotton, is brought to the door on wagons from the neighboring country. Jeans, striped cottons, and brown goods are the principal products of the mills.

Mr. Richardson owns a cotton-seed oil mill on the Mississippi and has many other small irons in the fire; but these only do, as Col. Seller says, "for side-investments," to keep his money employed. He is reputed to be worth from $3,000,000 to $5,000,000; and though he and his partner at New Orleans have $1,400,000 already advanced on the growing crop, they have still left more money than they know how to employ. They are frightened away from Government bonds—by the prospect of only 4 per cent; but they are after investments that will yield 10 to 12 per cent.

RICHARDSON ON THE EXODUS.

The opinion of such a man on the emigration question seemed to me better worth having than that of twenty ordinary planters. I asked him what he thought the cause of the movement was. He said he could not tell, and nobody could tell. The negroes, he believed, did not know themselves. In some counties where they were as safe in their political rights as any planters were, they were badly demoralized; in other counties, where they were badly bulldozed, they were quiet. High rents might have something to do with it in one place, and political troubles in another, but in many he believed the main cause was simple blind credulity and ignorant follow-my-leader principles. "The negroes are just like a flock of sheep," he added. "If one jumps over fence, they all go, and the last two or three, for fear they will be left behind, are more eager to get over than any of the others."

As to the convention at Vicksburg, Mr. Richardson said he believed it would do much good, provided the planters lived up to the pledges there made; and he believed they would live up to those pledges. The planters could not stay in business and do otherwise. For his part, he would do all in his power to make the negroes contented politically, and every other way. He would say to them, in every county where they had a majority, "Here, you black men, make

ANY FAIR DIVISION OF THE OFFICES

you please. Take the Clerkships, the Sheriffalty, the Legislative and state offices; take everything if you please, only let us have peace." If the negroes are at all inclined to vote fair Mr. Richardson thinks they will let the white taxpayers have the Supervisors who impose the taxes, and that is all he wants. In Washington county, where the taxes had been raised to 10 or 11 per cent on on the assessed-valuation of property, it was a mild statement to say that continued negro rule was undesirable.

Mr. Richardson spoke candidly and as a true conservative. He is really a friend to both races, and though now a Democrat, has in him much of the

OLD WHIG BLOOD.

It is astonishing, by the way, to observe how much of this blood is still flowing in the veins of the Southern people. I have met not ten or twenty, but hundreds of Southern Democrats who are opposed to the National Democratic party. Many say they would vote for Grant in preference to Tilden. Indeed, the hatred of Tilden in this part of the country is quite phenomenal. He is generally thought to have shown the white feather. The Wicked Nephew story is pronounced "too thin," and the selfish conduct of Tilden in manipulating New York City politics to make it appear that he is the only man who can carry the state is generally denounced. If Tilden is to have a large white majority in Mississippi in 1880 he will have to turn his nephew and the bulldozers loose on the conservatives. "Do you ultra Republicans at the North only keep your finger out of the pie," said a conservative leader to me, "and you will see the biggest kind of a row and a division in the Democratic party of this state."

I have been around and heard Old Whig talk in the South before, until the heart grew weary and faint, and the brain began to reel, and the mind to reject its natural food; but these men really seem to be in earnest. R. W. P.

THE Springfield correspondent of the Chicago *Telegraph*, in writing up members of the house, speaks in these complimentary terms of one of our members:

Dr. Tyler is always found in his seat attending to business. Like Mr. Mason he has had his family with him, with whom he finds his greatest enjoyment when the duties of the day are over. The doctor has been troubled with sore throat and has not been able to talk much, but he always votes right, and gives a fair hearing to every proposed law. The doctor is a safe and intelligent legislator. He was in the Twenty-

THE STATES WHICH PAY THE TAXES.

Senator Hill Attempts to Contradict Mr. Conkling, but with Bad Success.

A Washington dispatch to the New York *Tribune*, dated May 11th, says; "Mr. Conkling's statement in his speech upon the army bill with regard to the sources from which the greater portion of the revenues of the Government are collected, has given rise to a good deal of study and inquiry, with a view, if possible, to overturn his statements.

Senator Hill, in his speech upon the legislative bill, paid especial attention to this subject, and attempted to answer the argument made by Mr. Conkling. Quoting from Mr. Conkling's speech his assertion that of the total revenue of $235,000,000 collected during the last fiscal year, the twenty-seven states which adhered to the Union during the recent war paid more than $221,000,000, Mr. Hill said:

If his argument be true, New York pays over $80,000,000 of the customs revenue because the port of New York is the great port of the whole country, and he credits the twenty-seven states with all the customs revenue collected in that port, and in Boston and other northern ports. It is all paid at the city of New York. The Senator might have enlarged his argument. He might have selected from the western states a group of eleven states that pay perhaps less customs revenue than the eleven southern states. I doubt whether the state of my friend from Ohio pays much on the Senator's method of computation.

It will be remembered that Senator Conkling was not referring to customs revenue especially; and it will be conceded by the fair-minded everywhere that by including the western states, which Mr. Hill believes pay little or no customs duties, Mr. Conkling made an entirely fair statement of the case. The following figures, taken from a statement which has just been prepared at the treasury in compliance with a call from the senate, are of interest in connection with this matter: The internal revenue tax from the 11 seceding states, from June 30, 1866, to June 30, 1878, was $201,906,096.15; from Ohio for the same time, $215,010,620.54; from Illinois, $211,187,312.35; and from New York, $384,406,776.25. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1878, the seceding states paid $11,142,042.45; Ohio, $14,762,979.94; Illinois, $19,651,732.21; and New York, $14,963,899.92.

DR. J. W. BALLINGER DEAD.

The Loved Pastor of the Christian Church at Niantic Gone to Meet his Maker.

DIED—At his late residence at Niantic, in this county, at 9:30, p. m., Thursday, May 15th, REV. DR. J. W. BALLINGER, aged about 40 years.

Mr. Ballinger has been the pastor of the Christian church at Niantic for something over five years. While not a great preacher, his ministry at Niantic and elsewhere was unusually successful. He not only had the esteem of the entire community, but was greatly beloved, and his seemingly untimely decease has cast a deep gloom over the people living there. They mourn his loss as a true friend, whose life among them was so full of humility and kindness, and whose energies were devoted to their highest well-being. His death was caused by Bright's disease of the kidneys. He was twice elected collector of Niantic township. He leaves a wife but no children.

The funeral takes place at 4 o'clock this afternoon, and will be conducted by Revs. G. M. Goode, of Harristown, N. B. Haynes, of this city, J. B. Allen and A. J. Kane, of Springfield, M. M. Goode, of Petersburg, and Dr. Smith, of Chatham. The remains will be taken to Girard, Ill., for interment.

MR. GEO. W. CHILDS, of Philadelphia, being interviewed, said that Gen. Grant had never mentioned to his nearest personal friends the subject of the Presidency, and they did not know whether or not he would be a candidate; that he neither desires nor seeks a nomination; that his intimate friends are opposed to his being a candidate, unless it is forced on him; and that President Hayes, in expressing his wishes for Grant as his successor, had made a good point in calling attention to the fact that the objections to Grant as a third-term candidate would not apply in 1880, because, having left office and the control of Federal patronage, he was like any other new man and on the same footing. The story that Mr. Childs is organizing excursion parties to go to San Francisco to receive General Grant is untrue. If such enterprises are organized, they are probably speculations of the railroad companies. Mr. Childs has received many letters of inquiry about this overland trip, and he wishes it understood that he has nothing to do with the matter.—*Chicago Journal.*

THE Memphis *Avalanche* advises the south to try cotton mills, not having had good luck trying to make anything out of politics.

IN an article on the political situation the Boston *Traveller* says: "The stalwart Republicans are, undoubtedly, in the fore-front of this fight, and the accessions to their ranks have been so numerous of late that, practically, the whole party to-day is "tenting on the old camp-ground" of stalwart principles. They will continue to tent there until November, 1880."

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JUDICIAL election, remember, does not take place on Tuesday, but on *Monday*, June 2

THE judicial election on Monday, June 2, is really one of the most important that has occurred recently, and ought to call out a full vote.

SAMUEL R REED, Esq, of Monticello, is off the track for circuit judge. This still leaves six candidates in the race, Bunn, Wilkin, Smith, Davis, Nelson and Ficklin.

REPUBLICAN county conventions held throughout Ohio on Saturday shows that Judge Taft is likely to lead the Gubernatorial candidates in the Cincinnati convention on the 28th of May. Not many of the delegations are instructed, but the preference of nearly all of them is known.

HON. Asa Packer the well-known millionaire and Democratic politician of Pennsylvania, died on Saturday night, aged 72 Judge Packer was largely interested in the coal trade, and his name has frequently been mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for President.

THE *Sun* appeared yesterday morning under the joint proprietorship of Prior & Wuensch, who announce that they propose to run it as a Republican sheet. Both publishers are experienced newspaper men, and they will work the business for all there is in it. May they realize their brightest hopes

SENATOR SAULSBURY, of Delaware, took occasion on Saturday to make a bitter and slanderous assault upon Gen Schenck, during the progress of a red hot state rights speech. For this he was handsomely rebuked by Gen. Logan Saulsbury seemed to have a hard time of it, all through his speech, having been successively tripped up and sat down on by Windom Conkling and Edmunds

ITS a trifle singular that the same Democratic newspapers which are so favorably disposed towards a "non-partisan judiciary" are unanimously in favor of the election of Benjamin S Edwards as supreme judge, which, if accomplished, would make the highest court in the state a Democratic tribunal, with but a single exception.

SENATOR Ben Hill is a member of the M. E Church, South, and has recently attacked Dr. Fuller, editor of the Methodist *Advocate*, (North) of Atlanta, and has waked up the wrong passenger. A Democratic paper not very well up in church literature says that Dr Fuller is a member of the M. E. Church of God, and that Ben Hill is a member of the M. E. Church South of God He fails to state definitely *how far* South of God Mr. Hill is The "bad place" is supposed by some to be South People, especially editors, should be more accurate

THE TALL SYCAMORE —In the light of recent events it looks as though "the tall sycamore of the Wabash" will be effectually laid out when the election for the next Senator occurs in Indiana. The Indianapolis *Journal*, of a recent date, says

The indications are that when Senator Voorhees returns to Indiana he will find little more than a trace left of the inflation-repudiation sentiment which carried him into the Senate. If he thinks he represents any considerable number of Indiana voters in his wild, sensational speeches in the Senate, he is greatly mistaken.

A prominent Democratic member of the Illinois House was heard to remark last evening, that his party had a strange mania for doing that which would tend to solidify their opponents, and instanced the action of the House yesterday with reference to the appropriation bills as a case in point He said his party associates had attempted to defeat certain appropriations *in toto* which action had resulted in rallying every Republican to their support while, if they had confined their opposition to certain objectionable features they might have won over to their side enough of the majority to have carried the points they were driving at But their wholesale and unreasonable opposition had only resulted in dividing their own strength and thereby making the passage of the bills so much the more certain. It was another instance, he said, of the old propensity for blundering

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DECORATION DAY.

The Burlington *Hawkeye* has these sensible words to say upon a subject of which this paper spoke in similar terms some days ago:

Surely our citizens should not leave the matter of decorating the graves or our patriot dead entirely to the soldiers It was your homes, your liberties, and our government, that those men gave up their lives for, and you should certainly be willing to do honor to their memory. It is all well enough to remember the soldiers in political platforms, but we ought to be willing to do more. We ought to be willing to leave our business for a few hours on the day set apart for that purpose and gather with the surviving soldiers around the patriotic dead and lay upon the grassy mounds the floral offerings of patriotism and gratitude It is not right to say, Oh that's a matter for the soldiers to attend to." By such a remark you only indicate that when the last soldier of the great army that stood between you and national destruction has passed away, then patriotism will be remembered no longer The *Hawkeye* sincerely trusts that Decoration Day throughout Iowa will be generally observed, that the patriotic citizens will unite with the veterans and make it a day devoted to the memory of our martyred dead

THERE were some rare scenes enacted in the House at Springfield yesterday, and, as usual, the Democrats were the losers In order to signalize their opposition to some of the items in the penitentiary appropriation bills they threw the house into such an uproar as has not been witnessed since the days when Haines menagerie held the boards. The speaker's rulings were disregarded, and for a time disorder and confusion of the most disgraceful character prevailed. So apparent was it to the more sensible and thoughtful on the Democratic side that their partisans were in the wrong, that many of them refused to follow the lead of the mob, and thus the disgraceful scene was brought to an end. Several times the Democratic leaders moved to adjourn, in order to prevent further consideration of the bill, but when every dilatory motion had been exhausted, and the bill ordered to a third reading —when there was no longer even a partisan excuse for further delay—the Democrats insisted upon having the yeas and nays on a motion to adjourn, most of them rushing out of the hall as soon as they had voted no It will be gratifying to the friends of Mr. Durfee to know that he took no part in these silly maneuvres of his party, but on the contrary voted as a sensible and honest man should—much to the disgust of some of the whipper-snappers who imagine they have nothing to do but to "vote a'gin the d—d Republicans."

HURRAH for Dr. Tyler! He has been one of the most attentive and industrious members of the House during the protracted session, having removed his family to Springfield so as to be able to devote all his time to his official duties. But last Friday he was absent from his accustomed place, greatly to the surprise of his associates, who could not imagine what had happened to keep him from his labors. But their surprise was in no degree diminished when they learned, the next day, that the honorable gentleman from DeWitt had been detained at home by the occurrence of one of those pleasant episodes which are liable to happen in any well-regulated family, but the like of which had not taken place in the domestic circle of the good Doctor for a matter of about ten years. Its a girl, and the usual smiling face of Dr. Tyler wears a broader and more satisfied and happier expression ever since. Tally one for Tyler.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Of the Mason & Hamlin Organ Company.

These well known manufacturers of Cabinet and Parlor Organs celebrated their silver anniversary on the 10th inst, when they completed the twenty-fifth year since the establishment of their business In his remarks after the dinner, the president of the company stated the interesting facts that at first the capacity of their factory was only two or three melodeons per week, worth less than one hundred dollars each now it is more than two hundred cabinet organs per week, the best of which sell for five hundred to one thousand dollars each, though the great majority are one hundred and twenty five to one hundred and fifty dollars each He attributed their success to the fact that they had always made the very best organs and only the best, which had enabled them to take highest honors at every world's exhibition for many years, and command a market for their organs all over the world London alone has taken one thousand of them in a single year

The Comfort Patent Corset—Bortree's Adjustable, Foy s Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hundred Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at

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May 15—d5t w2t

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As the use of the Land Plaster has been very limited in this country, Mr. David Martin, the well known lime merchant of this city, desires to call the attention of the farmers of this county to the following facts in reference to the value and uses of Land Plaster

This circular is called out to answer the numerous calls to learn how to use Land Plaster to the best advantage as a fertilizer It is a well established fact, that more than 500 per cent profit is realized on the money invested by the consumers of Land Plaster We quote from a few of the thousands that bear testimony of their own knowledge by experiment, and sum up the well established rule for the benefit of those interested in making their share of the profits, as early as possible as the demand is increasing rapidly

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We also have the experience of farmers yearly in all the agricultural papers and very many other leading journals of America And all the numerous practical tests by actual use, proves the one accepted fact that land plaster is the most valuable fertilizer for the money invested that have ever been used No one should fail to use it.

Liebeg (the great chemist) says that vegetation absorbs in its growth less than one eighth part of its own weight from the substances of the soil The remaining portions being compounded from the rains dews and gases of the atmosphere, which are absorbed by the leaves as well as the roots of plants Therefore if one crop out of five is clover plowed under, you will give to the soil more than you have taken from it Always keep this in mind, feed your land for good crops, as you feed yourself and horse for good work

Plaster is not a manure proper It concentrates the ammonia in the atmosphere and the soil to the leaves and roots of the plant and stimulates a luxuriant growth, frequently doubling the crop of clover, which is the cheapest and best manure used, plowed under when in the blow

Gypsum is a chemical compound, and the theory of chemists has been, that as the wind passes over a surface sown with it, the ammonia which has been exhaled from a thousand barn yards, bogs and decaying substances, combines and forms a sulphate of ammonia, which is a powerful stimulant to vegetable growth This being concentrated to the young, tender plant, accounts for the surprising effect it has on its growth

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Numerous experiments have proved that plaster as a disinfectant agent, has no equal A few pounds sprinkled over a stable floor will every day destroy the smell and make the manure a great deal better It holds the ammonia that is in the urine and combines it with the manure, thus you save in sulphate of ammonia many times the cost of the plaster, besides preserving health by pure atmosphere Sow on your manure piles, in the hen houses, stables, water closets, back drains, etc.

RED CLOVER.

Plaster has the most surprising beneficial effect on this plant of anything that grows No other appropriates to itself so much ammonia from the atmosphere, and then in its gradual decay, when plowed under, its volatile ammonia will give up to the crop which succeeds it Scientific analysis proves that red clover contains all the elements organic and inorganic for wheat oats, rye, barley and other grains Therefore it is the most natural manure which can be applied to land to raise crops of all kinds Sow on new seeding when first up It will save its dying Older meadows sow when the plant starts in the spring Some sow again when the plant is six inches high and also after haying to increase the seed Sow about 100 lbs per acre

MEADOWS AND PASTURES.

The indorsements of profit derived from the use of Plaster on the grasses is so numerous we only mention the usual method of sowing.

Sow in the spring when the plant first starts, from 100 to 150 to the acre

For wheat and other small grain, sow the same as on meadows and when the plant is first up Do not fail to sow when you stock to clover or timothy.

CORN.

Some farmers soak the seed corn then mix in plaster to dry. Others drop about a table-spoonful in each hill with the seed, and claim large extra benefits

The usual way—Soon after the plant is up drop a small hand full on the plants of each hill, and let the rain wash it down to the roots. Some sow broadcast just before the tassel comes in sight to help set the ear Sow when the stalk is damp

POTATOES

The best mode is to drop a small handful in each hill with the seed Then again drop same amount on the plant soon after it is up Then again about the time the bud starts for blossom. If the bugs are eating the tops, mix Paris Green with the plaster, it will kill them if the stalks are damp with dew, so that it will stick to the leaf Sift on through a pepper box of large size Clay as well as sandy land is benefitted largely The plaster in the hill stops the rotting

To grow large crops, everybody that has tried it says Sow plaster on every plant when it is fairly started in the spring and again when it is about one-third grown, and is damp with dew It concentrates the ammonia that is in the atmosphere and soil The effect will astonish those who have not tried it There is no other way that you can make money so easily. *Try it*

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AN exchange says "A German inventor proposes to make boots that will never wear out. He mixes with a waterproof glue, a suitable quantity of clean quartz sand, which is spread on the thin leather sole employed as a foundation These quartz soles are said to be flexible and almost indestructible, while they enable the wearer to walk safely over slippery roads."

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HISTORICAL NOTES.

Something Concerning the Railroads of Illinois—Interesting Facts.

The first railroad company chartered in the state of Illinois, was "the Chicago and Vincennes," the charter being approved January 17, 1835. The corporators were John H. Kenzie, Gurdon S Hubbard, Peter Pruyne, George W. Dole, John H. Murphy, Isaac R. Moores, Leander Munsell, Gideon Minor, Milton K Alexander, William B. Archer, Jas C. Hillibert, James S. Oto, Wickliff Kitchell, Samuel Harris, Abner Green, David S. Bonner, Arthur Branson and Samuel Munday The charter runs 60 years. The capital stock was three million dollars The company was authorized to construct a single or double railroad track from the town of Chicago, in Cook county, passing through Iroquois county, Danville in Vermillion county, Paris in Edgar county, through Clark county, Palestine in Crawford county, and thence to the great Wabash in Lawrence county, opposite Vincennes

The second company chartered was "The Jacksonville and Meredosia Railroad Company," approved February 5, 1835, from Jacksonville to Meredosia on the Illinois river, with authority to construct a branch to Naples The incorporators were Thomas T. January, Matthew Stacy, Newton Forsythe, Alex. Brother, Porter Clay, A H. Buckner, J. P. Wilkinson, Jos. Duncan and Ira Davenport. At a special session of the legislature no less than *eighteen* railroad companies were incorporated. Out of the eighteen only one, the Galena and Chicago Union, was ever built, though portions of charters were afterwards used

The session of the legislature of 1837, besides the railroads authorized to be built by the state by the Internal Improvement System act, chartered twenty one private companies. The following are the railroads chartered by the act establishing a general system of internal improvements:

First—From Cairo to Galena, via Vandalia, Shelbyville, Decatur and Bloomington to the southern terminus of the Illinois & Michigan Canal at Peru or La Salle, and thence by way of Savanna (Carroll county) to Galena. This was known as the Central Railroad. The appropriation was $3,500,000.

Second—From Alton to Mt. Carmel and Shawneetown, via Edwardsville, Carlyle, Salem, Fairfield and Albion. The Shawneetown branch was to diverge at or near Edwardsville and run by the way of Lebanon, Nashville, Pinckneyville, Frankfort and Equality. appropriation $1,600,000 This was known as the Southern Cross Railroad

Third—From Quincy to the Indiana state line in the direction of Lafayette, via Mt. Sterling, Jacksonville, Springfield, Decatur and Danville; appropriation $1,800,000. Called the Northern Cross Railroad, now the Wabash.

Fourth—A branch of the Central Railroad diverging at or near Shelbyville, running through Charleston and Paris, in the direction of Terre Haute, Indiana, to the state line; appropriation $650,000.

Fifth—From Peoria to Warsaw; appropriation $700,000.

Sixth—From Lower Alton to connect with the Central at the intersection of the branch road to Terre Haute; appropriation $600,000.

Seventh—From Belleville via Lebanon to intersect the road from Alton to Mt. Carmel, appropriation $250,000

Eighth—From Bloomington to Mackinaw, Tazewell county, and then diverge by two branches—one to connect with the Peoria and Warsaw at the Illinois river, the other to run through Tremont to Pekin.

The whole number of miles of railroad contemplated to be built under the Internal Improvement act, was about thirteen hundred. The first railroad in the state of Illinois completed was between Jacksonville and Meredosia, a distance of twenty-four miles. It was put into operation in May, 1839. The cost of building and equipment was $436,233.33. The first locomotive was put on the track in Illinois November 8, 1838, and ran eight miles, carrying Gov. Duncan, Stephen A. Douglass, Murray McConnell and others. The only portion of the grand system of roads laid out to be done under the Internal Improvement act finally completed was the railroad between the Illinois river and Springfield, sixty four miles, at a cost of over one million dollars, and afterwards sold for one hundred thousand in state scrip.

The second road completed and in operation was the Galena and Chicago Union, which was completed from Chicago to Elgin in 1850, twelve years after the completion of the Northern Cross road, from Springfield to Meredosia.

The following table will show the number of miles in the state at the end of each five years from 1850 to 1875, and for each year since to 1878:

1850, 115 miles, 1855, 887 miles; 1860, 2,790 miles, 1865, 3,157 miles, 1870, 4,823 miles; 1875 7,109 miles, 1876, 7,285 miles, 1877, 7,433 miles, 1878, 7,459 miles.

The number of railroads operated in Illinois is fifty-one

A certain actor has sued an editor for calling him intemperate. A brother editor says that the actor can bring forward several witnesses who never saw him drunk, but, alas, there are millions who can testify that they never saw him sober.

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Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Mattings

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CARPETS, For the Million!

2000 PIECES RIBBONS, from 2 to 4 inches wide, from 8½ to 15 cts. a yard, worth three times as much, and is doubtless the last great Job in Ribbons that will ever be offered in this market.

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4000 YARDS BEAUTIFUL DRESS GINGHAMS.

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IN GREAT VARIETY AND VERY CHEAP.

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LADIES' SUITS, DOLMAN'S CLOAKS and SHAWLS, in all the novelties, and very cheap.

DRESS TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, LACES, VEILINGS and RUCHINGS, below the market price.

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PARASOLS and SUN UMBRELLAS in every style and price.

Dress Goods,

In Exquisite Styles, and at Lower Prices than were ever known.

2000 YARDS HEAVY COTTONADE at 18c, worth 25 cts.

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May 2—wtf

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Among the nations of antiquity, an offering of perfumes was regarded as a token of the most profound respect and homage. At the present time a present of a box of Dr. Price's exquisite odors, would not only be regarded as a token of respect, but enjoyed to the last drop, with the greatest pleasure.

Nickel-plated Heels, Merkle Patent Seamless Shoes, check, blue and basket top, side lace and button shoes, at Ferriss's Shoe Store.

Feb. 20–d&wtf

ELECTION NOTICE.

OFFICE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DECATUR, ILLS., May 20, 1879.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court House, in Decatur, on the

First Tuesday in June Next

for the purpose of electing one member of the Board of Education to serve the term of three years. Said election will be open at 1 o'clock p. m., and closed at 5 o'clock p. m.

W. A. BARNES, President

E. A. GASTMAN, Clerk. may20d&wtd

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O, no! we haven't got any new handsome goods at all! O no, I guess not! Come and see our old stock.

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April 22 d&wtf

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The Store is full of all the Latest Novelties.

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RUSSIA'S REIGN OF TERROR.

How a Detective was Entrapped by his Nihilist Sweetheart.

London Telegraph.

A few weeks ago Serge Lawrowski, one of the ablest detectives attached to the third department, was sent from St. Petersburg to Poltava with instructions to get at the secrets of the nihilistic organization there established. Arrived at Poltava, Lawrowski displayed great activity in guiding the researches of the local police, made many acquaintances in different characters, being an expert in changing his appearance and manner, and was hopeful of success in his mission, when his evil fortune prompted him to fall in love with the pretty daughter of a priest, named Achristoff. The girl, only seventeen years of age, was affiliated to the associations, and had been planted upon Lawrowski by order of the Poltava committee, with the object of betraying him into their hands. After a fortnight's ardent courtship, Mlle Achristoff allowed herself to be persuaded to give her admirer a rendezvous by night in a garden just outside the town.

When Lawrowski reached the trysting place he was surrounded and seized by five masked men, armed with revolvers and knives, who bound him to a tree and then cut off his nose and ears. Bleeding and unable to shout for assistance, as he had been gagged by his mutilators, he remained where they left him in an agony of pain until early morning, when he was found senseless and all but dead from loss of blood. An open letter in his pocket contained the following ferocious announcement "We cut off his nose because he is a sleuth-hound, and his ears because he has proved himself to be an ass, in that he paid court to one of Us!" Mlle. Achristoff has vanished from Poltava, and all the efforts of the police to track her to her hiding place have proved utterly ineffectual Meanwhile Lawrowski lies in a hopeless condition; and even should he rally from the other exhaustion induced by the hemorrhage suffered during that terrible night, he will bear hideous witness on his disfigured countenance, as long as he may live, to the pitiless anger of the Poltava committee.

The *St. Petersburger Zeitung* reports four attempts at assassination committed at Kasan, the victims of which have one and all been state officials of high rank. Three or four persons attacked have died of their wounds. One of these latter, Novikoff, the president of the district, walked into the principal restaurant of Kasan a few minutes before he was shot, and said to one of the waiters "Friend, give me a dram; perhaps it will be the last I shall ever drink." A glass of vodki was brought to him, and the waiter noticed that Novikoff's hand shook as he lifted the liquor to his lips. Immediately afterwards he left the restaurant, but, as he opened the door, a bullet struck him full in the breast, inflicting an injury which has since proved fatal. The agents of the committee actually engaged in these outrages have been arrested. Two are workingmen, one is a Boyar, and another a handsome and highly-educated girl of seventeen.

The latest news from Kieff indicates that the revolutionary propaganda is assuming extraordinary dimensions in that province. Eight peasants were brought into the provincial capital in chains from a village named Chramowko, about sixteen versts from Kiew, accused of distributing socialist pamphlets and insurrectionary proclamations at the fairs and markets of the district. These men confessed under pressure that they had succeeded in circulating some 10,000 of these publications among the country folk. In another village, Toporowko, a secret printing press was discovered by the police in the school house of the commune. Their search was instituted upon the strength of information supplied by the scribe of the Mir, a man named Koprowski. Next morning he was found dead in his bed with a knife plunged to the hilt in his breast.

STEELE & PRICE.

For years the firm of Steele & Price have had the largest trade in their specialties of any house in the United States.—Their Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder, Special Flavoring Extracts and Perfumes, have gained a reputation for excellence that no articles of their kind have ever yet acquired.

EVERY day we see articles of more or less merit, but we must say that the latest patterns of "Favorite Stoves" excel in every way any other article we have seen for years

A Word to the Farmers.—The farming community will find it to their interest to call at V. H. Parke's agricultural implement rooms on North Main street in this city before making final purchases of needful machinery at other houses. Mr Parke makes his business a specialty, and guarantees perfect satisfaction in style, quality and serviceability of implements and prices

A large stock of new millinery goods just received. Give me a call before purchasing elsewhere

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Dec. 18—d&wtf

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Decatur, Ill., May 15, 1879 d&w3mos

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April 23—d&wtf

PUBLIC SALE

—OF—

Shorthorn Cattle

Consisting of 14 cows and heifers, and 9 bulls and bull calves, to be sold at the farm of the subscriber, one mile from Boody, Macon co., Illinois, on

Tuesday, June 10, 1879

This will be a good opportunity for parties wishing to get pure blooded shorthorns to get them at their own price, as the sale is positive There are representatives of the Gwynnes, White Roses, Ianthas, Mrs. Mott's, and other well-known families This herd has not been kept for anything but practical purposes. I have no trouble about barrenness or lack of milking qualities. Boody is on the Wabash Railway, eight miles southwest of Decatur. Sale to begin at 1 p. m.

TERMS—Nine months time on approved paper; if not paid thirty days after maturity ten per cent. from date.

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D. F. BARBER, Boody, Ill.

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May15-w4w

SOLDIERS.

Are informed that MILO B. STEVENS & CO., WAR CLAIM ATTORNEYS, of Cleveland, Ohio, have opened an office in Chicago devoted exclusively to the business of Soldiers and Soldiers heirs in the West. All applications for Pension must be presented before July 1, 1880, or back pension will not be allowed. Address with stamp, MILO B. STEVENS & CO., Chicago, Illinois.

May 17—d1w w3w

The Imported Stallion

"NIGER!"

Will make the season of 1879 at the farm formerly owned by Thomas C. Sterrett, one mile northeast of Warrensburg, Macon county, Illinois, spring season to commence the 1st of April and close the 15th of July; fall season from the 1st of September to the 20th of October. Terms, $10.00 to insure with foal—payable when the fact is ascertained. Good care will be taken of stock, but no responsibility for accidents or escapes. Mares from a distance will be pastured at reasonable rates on the farm. Mares not proving in foal can be returned free of charge.

DESCRIPTION AND PEDIGREE.

NIGER is a jet black, 9 years old, 16½ hands high, and weighed last August 1900 lbs. Was imported from France by James Fullington & Co., of Union county, Ohio, in the fall of 1874. They also imported Old Louis Napoleon, and other noted French horses. NIGER has proven a sure foal getter the past two seasons, and parties wishing can see a lot of his colts on the farm where he now stands, and also throughout the county, where he is well and favorably known

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made, and I. D. Walker appointed guard[ian] an *ad litem* for minor defendants.

Lizzie R. Rantzow vs. Otto E. Rantzow divorce; proof of publication made.

Martin P. Davis vs. Hester A. Dav[is] divorce; proof of publication made.

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To the Ladies.

Owing to our very large successful sales last week, we have found it necessary to

Order an Entire New Stock of

DRESS GOODS

Trimmings & Notions,

—AND ON—

Thursday, May 22d,

—WE WILL SHOW A—

Magnificent Line of New Dress Goods

SUMMER SILKS, SILK FRINGES,

TRIMMING SILKS, SATINS, ZEPHYRS,

WARPS, SHAWLS, LACES,

HOSIERY, GLOVES, CORSETS, AND

300 NEW PARASOLS

The third lot received this season, which alone shows what prices will do.

In Our Shawl Department

Will be found many "Rare Bargains" and many "Fine Specimens," from a

Full Sized Zephyr Wrap at 87½ cts.,

Or a Nobby Spring Shawl at $1.00,

—UP TO—

FINE INDIA SHAWLS WORTH $75 & $100 EACH.

In Our Glove Department

Will be found many excellent bargains, from a nice Lisle Glove, at 10 cents a pair, up to fine Silk Gloves and Lace Mits, at $1.00 a pair. Although some of our fine Silk Lace Mits and Long Lisle Gloves, with Lace Wrists, are worth from $1.25 to $1.50, none of them will be marked higher than 75 cents and $1.00 a pair. We have another fresh lot of those

Celebrated Three Button Kid Gloves!

At 25 cents a pair, light and dark shades.

Our Hosiery Counter

—IS PILED FULL OF—

Ladies', Gents' & Childrens' Stockings

Of every conceivable style and color, at 5c, 6 1-4c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 12½c, 15c, 18c, 20c, 22c, 24c and 25 cts., including that Great Job Lot of ladies' fine regular made.

LONDON LENGTH BALBRIGGAN HOSE,

At 25 cents a pair, worth at least 40 cents; also better grades of

Children's Fancy Colored and Embroidered Stockings, and Ladies' Fine Thread and German Handmade Balbriggans.

And now we have a bit of advice for you, unless you have more money than you know what to do with: It is a good policy to take a turn about and find some spot where a dollar will spread out to the greatest extent We think there is such a place, and are rather strong in our convictions that ours is the one. If you visit us, and do not find our goods lower in price than elsewhere, and feel like going away without buying, we "WON'T KICK;" it is your privilege. We are working for your interests as well as our own, and if we fail to make it plainly apparent to your good judgment that we are ahead, there is no harm done If our prices this week

DON'T OPEN YOUR EYES

THEN NOTHING WILL. SO SAYS

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Has Removed his Establishment from East Main to the

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March 20—d&wtf

DECATUR

EYE INFIRMARY

DR. M. BRANDOM

One of the Twin Brothers, has returned to Decatur, his old home, where he will be prepared to treat all diseases of the

EYE AND EAR.

Office over Dr. Stoner's drug store.

Oct. 21, 1878—d1mo w1mo

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FIFST CLASS OUTFITS.

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Nov. 21, 1878—w1yr

RECTANGULAR & SQUARE BOX CHURNS.

Cheapest and best. No inside fixtures, and always reliable. Six sizes of each kind made. Three sizes of the Lever Butter Worker made. Best material used, and every Churn and Butter Worker warranted exactly as represented. One Churn at wholesale where we have no Agents. Send Postal for Circulars. CORNELL & CURTIS, Fort Atkinson, Wis.

March 18—weow4w

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I have a positive remedy for the above disease; by its use in my practice I have cured thousands of cases of the worst kind and of long standing. Indeed so strong is my faith in its efficacy that I will send TWO BOTTLES FREE together with a VALUABLE TREATISE on this disease to any sufferer. Give Express and P. O. Address.

This standard article is compounded with the greatest care.

Its effects are as wonderful and as satisfactory as ever.

It restores gray or faded hair to its youthful color.

It removes all eruptions, itching and dandruff. It gives the head a cooling, soothing sensation of great comfort, and the scalp by its use becomes white and clean.

By its tonic properties it restores the capillary glands to their normal vigor, preventing baldness, and making the hair grow thick and strong.

As a dressing, nothing has been found so effectual or desirable.

A. A. Hayes, M.D., State Assayer of Massachusetts, says, "The constituents are pure, and carefully selected for excellent quality; and I consider it the BEST PREPARATION for its intended purposes."

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Buckingham's Dye FOR THE WHISKERS.

This elegant preparation may be relied on to change the color of the beard from gray or any other undesirable shade, to brown or black, at discretion. It is easily applied, being in one preparation, and quickly and effectually produces a permanent color, which will neither rub nor wash off.

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GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Call Soon and Secure Bargains.

All persons indebted to me will please call and settle and save cost.

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Nov. 27, 1878—d&wtf

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PLANING MILL!

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LUMBER,

SHINGLES, LATH,

SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, PICKETS, MOULDINGS, ETC.,

Which will be sold at the Lowest Cash Prices.

The Planing Mill will be under the control of ALCOTT & SON, who are prepared to do every description of mill work promptly and at reasonable prices. All orders received by us will receive prompt attention.

April 8—d1m w3mo MILLS & HARRY.

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And Dealers in all kinds of

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June 4—d&wtf

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GEBHARDT SCHICK, THE POET AND LINGUIST.

BY MRS. S. B. RANKIN.

T'was madness closed this brilliant sphere;
Genius can have no other:—
Struggle it may—the clay is here,
Transcendence in another;
The casket may be plain or rough,
In which the gem is lying,
Genius is always beautiful,
And something defying

Omniscience has the poet to—
Give it impersonation;
He dreams, and sees beyond the ken
Of ordinary vision;
He writes as if he could divine;
He sings as if inspired:
Truth, graven by pen or poetry,
Is all, the truth, desired.

How lives the poet, but in thoughts,
Of purity and bliss;
The slime which clings to other men,
Is never, none of his,
And only when he fears to fall,
And fears to sol his wing,
Do sinful pangs invade his heart,
And he's too mad to sing.

Thus with our Poet he had soared
Beyond our common view;
The thoughts, the tongues of nations,
He most familiar knew,
And yet, the fiend that tempteth all
To wickedness or madness,
Was striving with his beauteous soul,
And marrior all its gladness.

Down from the shining worlds above,
From the fair realms around him,
From France where his Beranger sung,
Where Dante's Arno charmed him,
From his clear, classic, German-land,
The silvery "Bell" of Schiller,
And Goethe with his eagle pen,
The loftier, for our Taylor.

Fell this bright, gifted one, to think
That his immortal spirit,
Must cease its singing—go to prayer—
To gain the Creator of it;
As if, the mumbled form of prayer,
Won more, His ear to listen,
Who has, his highest seats prepared
For seraphim, in heaven.

And for the struggle, with the fiend,
The poet died of madness;
Heaven brought to earth—will never be—
Else, heaven lose all its gladness;
The world will never know, the soul
That scorns to be ignoble;
That loves to live for truth, alone,
And perishes of evil.

But there are angels who can come
Within the gate of heaven,
Without the Peri's tear, to tell
The sins that are forgiven;
Our poet, for his ear was dulled
With jarring chords of madness,
It was earth's boon his dying strain—
That has no full chord of gladness.

Peoria, May 8, 1879.

A Gate Story.

Burlington Hawkeye.

"Serena, darling," he murmured; and the old gate scarcely creaked as it swung to and fro beneath her light weight, and the silent stars looked down with tenderer glances, and old South Hill seemed to hold its breath to listen. "Serena, sweet," he said, and the radiant blushes that kindled over the pearly brow and cheeks, softened the silent lovelight in her lustrous eyes, "Serena, my own, if every glittering star that beams above, if every passing breeze that stops to kiss thy glowing cheeks, if every rustling leaf that whispers to the night, were living, burning, loving thoughts; if every—Oh-h-ho-ho! Ow-w! Wow-ow! Aw-w, oh, oh, oh! Oh, jimmy pelt! Oh, glory! Oh, murder, murder, murder! Oh, dad rang the swizzled old gate to the bow-wows! Ah-h-h!" And she said, stiffly, that no gentleman who could use such language in the presence of a lady was an acquaintance of hers, and she went into the house. And he pushed the gate open and pulled his mangled thumb out of the crack of it, and went down the street sucking the injured member and declaring that, however lightly one hundred and sixty-five pounds of girl might sit on the heart of a man, it was a little too much pressure when applied to an impromptu thumbscrew. And the match is drawn, and all side bets are declared off.

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A ROMAN VENDETTA.

In Rome last year there was a model girl named Guglia Setacci, who was a wonder of beauty among all the painters and sculptors. Two noted sculptors, who were brothers, Ernesto and Gabriel Bagnagetti, fell desperately in love with the siren, who was as coquettish as she was beautiful, and the result was a fierce quarrel, in which Ernesto was killed, after which the beautiful cause of the fratricide fled with a young brigand, while the murderer escaped the law only to fall a victim to the most racking and maddening remorse. The image of the dead brother returned to him in the guise of love, as he had been before the beautiful Guglia had estranged them, and his love for the woman turned to bitter hate. He conceived what the Italians believe in as a sort of superstition and duty, a vendetta, that is, a sworn vengeance. He disguised himself, and, upon the report of a visit to Paris, frequented the haunts of the thieves and brigands of Rome, where Guglia habitually went. He was not long in finding her, but it took six months to persuade her into his residence and win her confidence: which he did, however, at last, and under so perfect a disguise that she never suspected who he was. In carrying out his vendetta he had become poor, and was obliged to work at wood carving to make a livelihood. He carved figures of saints, and the work was so beautiful that the saints never waited long for purchasers. One day Guglia disappeared suddenly, and three days afterward her mangled corpse was found in the Tiber; but who the murderer was nobody could even suspect. The wood-carver disappeared ten days afterward, and in his room the landlord found the blood-stained garments of the beautiful model-girl, and a sculptor's keen tool, with evidences on it of the crime; so that it was plain that Guglia's last friend—the wood-carver—had done it. But where to find it was the question which no detective could answer. In the meantime the sculptor, who had been supposed to be visiting Paris, appeared in Rome again. A month ago, long after the crime had ceased to interest anybody, an artist happened to be in the police headquarters and noticed a figure in wood of St. Sebastian, and was so much struck by its beauty that he inquired why and how it came in such a place.

"Why," said the officer, "the saint was made by the wood-carver who murdered the pretty model-girl. He left it when he ran off."

"Then," exclaimed the artist, "I can tell you who the murderer is, for I'll swear that figure is the work of Gabriel Bagnagetti. No other sculptor in Rome could have done it."

Gabriel's remorse had been wiped out by the accomplishment of his vendetta; but no sooner did the officers confront him with the figure of St. Sebastian, and the opinion of the artist, than he burst into a frantic fit of rage, and confessed the crime. His artistic skill had betrayed him through all his precautions, and by means of his patron saint.

VANDERBILT'S OPINION OF THE WEST.

On the return of Mr. William H. Vanderbilt to New York, from his recent visit to the west, he was interviewed by a *Tribune* reporter, and submitted to the inevitable with quiet grace. After denying that his object in coming west was to acquire more railroad property, and stating that it was simply for recreation, Mr. Vanderbilt gave his opinion of the west as follows:

"It is a beautiful, a magnificent country. When I listened to the descriptions given by merchants and others from the west, I thought they exaggerated; but I found that the half had not been told. In Missouri and Kansas the wheat is several inches high and looks well, and the farmers have put all their corn in, while at Buffalo we met ice and in the northern part of the state there was snow. When we look at the large farms of wheat and corn, extending for scores of miles, the first impression is that there will not be railroads enough to carry the crops; but the fact is, there are three roads where only one of them pays. The great fear is that the west will overdo it. They have built too many roads out there, and many of these are bankrupt. There are a lot of people out west now buying up bankrupt roads because they can be bought cheap. The combination, as it is called here, now has a number of bankrupt roads on its hands. The strangest thing is that the people are so easily gulled by the representations on Wall street to invest in the almost worthless securities of these roads at from 15 to 20 per cent. advance."

IT is unfortunate for men who have been condemned unjustly that they do not reside in Denmark, for there, in accordance with the law, a man unjustly condemned is, on his innocence being proved, driven through the streets in one of the King's state carriages, preceded by a herald, who proclaims that the sentence is annulled, and then a pension is settled on him.

AN estimate of the number of cases Judge C. B. Smith has tried in the past six years has been made, and they reach the enormous sum of fifteen thousand, and of this number only forty-two have been appealed from his decisions. Thus it follows that not one case in two hundred has been appealed, and not one case in four hundred has been reversed, of the judgments of Judge Smith—a record of which any judge might well be proud.—[illegible] for [illegible] editor [illegible] ward [illegible] him who [illegible] him

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May 28-'77-d&wlm.

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PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
Shorthorn Cattle
Consisting of 14 cows and heifers, and 9 bulls and bull calves, to be sold at the farm of the subscriber, one mile from Boody, Macon co., Ill., on
Tuesday, June 10, 1879
This will be a good opportunity for parties wishing to get pure blooded shorthorns to get them at their own price, as the sale is positive. There are representatives of the Young Marys, White Roses, Ianthas, Mrs. Mott's, and other well-known families. This herd has not been kept for anything but practical purposes. I have no trouble about barrenness or lack of milking qualities. Boody is on the Wabash Railway, eight miles southwest of Decatur. Sale to begin at 1 p. m.
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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

A FULL line of painters' supplies at Armstrong's drug store.

THE cheapest and best house-furnishing goods in the city may be had at Abel & Locke's.

WE acknowledge the receipt of the first number of the Farmer City *Journal*, edited by W. C. Devore, late of the Lovington *Free Press*. Success to it.

NOVELTIES in dress linens, very handsome and very cheap, at Linn & Scruggs.
May17-d&wtf.

THE swelling buds and blooming flowers are the only rivals in nature of those beautiful carpets now in stock at Abel & Locke's mammoth establishment.

THE HIGHEST market price will be paid for second-hand furniture, stoves, etc. New goods sold at bottom prices. Old Revere House. Ed. Houston, agent.
March 8–d&wtf

THIS has been an unusually busy week with I. W. Ehrman's cutters and tailors. But then gentlemen will have new suits, and Ehrman is the clothier to fix 'em up in style at ruling prices.

IF you want the best low price Corset in the market, ask for the "Victor," at Linn & Scruggs'.
May 10-d&wtf

STUTTERING cured by Bates' Appliances. Send for description to SIMPSON & Co., Box 2236, New York.
May 15 –wlt

HAWORTH & SONS, the manufacturers of the famed "Haworth's" check rowers, are just closing up the most prosperous business of any previous year in their history.

IT is an established fact that you can get better bargains in boots and shoes at Barber & Baker's than any place else.—They buy cheap and sell cheap.
May14-d&wtf

A CHICAGO woman proposes to break up the monotony of the walking business by attempting to live 3,000 hours without speaking a word. If she succeeds, it will be the most surprising feat of this wonderful age.

MERKLE Seamless Side-lace Shoes, for Ladies, at Ferriss's. Perfect fitting, no seams, and consequently no ripping—an elegant style, for $2.50.
Feb. 18–d&wtf

Hon. Wm. L. Chambers, member of the 30th General Assembly, left Clinton on Monday last for Wellington, Sumner county, Kansas, where he will probably reside in future.

THE expeditious manner in which Judge Smith despatches the business of the circuit court, is a matter of much favorable comment among the citizens and farmers of this county. It is one of the straws.

IN private, we must watch our thoughts; in the family, our tempers; in company, our tongues; and the man who would wear good clothes and save his money should patronize I. W. Ehrman, the old reliable clothier

THERE is a lodge of Masons at Sadorus, on the Wabash railway, in Champaign county, whose chartered name is "J. R. Gorin Lodge, No. 537." This lodge was probably named after our fellow-townsman when he was Grand Master of Illinois.

THE Champaign Daily *Union* has winked out. H. To Aspern, who was a candidate for State Treasurer on the Independent ticket, has purchased Mr. Moore's interest, and he and Mr. Schoff will continue the weekly edition.

FREEMAN BROS., proprietors of the new boot and shoe establishment at No. 8 Merchant street, have opened out in fine style with a first-class stock of goods. See their advertisement in another column. They have come to stay, and we wish them a prosperous business career.

EDITH O'GORMAN, the "Escaped Nun," who lectured here several years ago and failed to attract much patronage or attention, is creating a flurry of excitement among the Catholics of Oshkosh, Wis., by her lectures. Father O'Malley, a priest, tried to have her arrested for obscenity. The servant girls refused to wait on her at the hotels, and a paper was threatened with suppression for reporting her lectures. Taken all in all, it is a first-rate advertisement for Edith

DIED.

In this city, Friday, May 16th, at 5 p. m., MINNIE DENZ, aged 9 years, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Wm. Denz, residing on Webster street.

Deceased was taken sick with inflammation of the bowels on Wednesday. She was one of the brightest pupils of her class in the primary department of the fourth ward school, and her sudden death is deeply lamented by her teacher and schoolmates.

IT is all wrong to let your church choir go off singing in the opera of "Pinafore" between Sundays. A dreadful thing recently happened on this account at a California funeral. The pastor, a tall, white-haired man, much resembling an Admiral, arose in the pulpit and had no sooner finished, in a sing-song tone, the remark, "We miss his presence in his usual haunts," than the choir sprang to its feet and shouted in return, "And so do his sisters and his cousins and his aunts."

KEPLER'S Queen and all the other favorite brands of cigars, at Martin's. dtf

IS HE THE RIGHT MAN?

J. W. Kilpatrick Arrested on a Charge of Assaulting and Robbing Coroner Dinneen in March.

From Thursday's Daily.

Some time ago Policeman Jacob Riebsamen became possessed of a few facts which caused him to look upon one J. W. Kilpatrick, a tall, strong man, aged about 30 years, with a suspicious eye. He kept mum, and commenced working up the case in a professional manner. On yesterday evening the last link of evidence in the chain of circumstances came to the faithful officer's knowledge, and he swore out a state warrant for Kilpatrick's arrest, charging him with violently and feloniously assaulting and robbing Coroner John Dinneen on the night of March 10, 1879. This morning about five o'clock Riebsamen, assisted by Sheriff Forstmyer, arrested Kilpatrick at the Wabash target, on North Church street. The prisoner was taken before Justice Peake this forenoon and placed under bonds of five hundred dollars for his appearance at the present term of the circuit court, in default of which he was committed to the county jail, where he will have an excellent opportunity of shaking hands through the bars with Charley Brown, who, it will be remembered, is also charged with the same crime.

Kilpatrick has a wife and two children residing with Mrs. Dunn, on the "Levee," and has lived here since before Dinneen was assaulted.

Our reporter is not in possession of the facts in the case obtained by Riebsamen, but he is led to infer that that officer is convinced he is on the right track.

BURGLARS OUTWITTED.—The banking house of Peddecord, Burrows & Co. have purchased one of the well-known Sargent Time Locks, at a cost of $350. This wonderful and beautiful piece of mechanism now protects the valuables of this bank, having been adjusted by Mr. Sargent himself this forenoon. As a matter of interest to our readers, we will state that the Sargent Time Lock is applied to the door of a safe or vault so as to guard the bolt work of such door independently of the combination lock, the whole being so arranged that the bolt work cannot be withdrawn until both locks have been unlocked. The lock contains two independent chronometer movements, equal in workmanship to the best American watches, which can be set at the closing of a bank, to open at any fixed time the next morning, or from one to forty-six hours. The numbers on the dials indicate, not the hours at which the safe is to open, but rather the number of hours during which the door is to remain closed.—For instance: the bank closes at 4 o'clock p. m., and is open at 10 a. m. the following day; it would therefore remain closed 18 hours; then the figures 18 on the dials are selected, and the chronometer wound up. The bolt is then turned until the chronometer lock catches the pins in the arm, by means of which the bolt is held in the locked position until the time arrives for opening—and the work is done; nothing further remains for the cashier to do but to close the door, and go home and dream of large deposits, and strawberries and cream. The most accomplished burglar in the land cannot enter a safe that has one of these chronometer locks, nor no one else, until the time arrives for the bolt which holds the doors closed, to drop out of its position.

James H. Jackson, president of the greenback club at Pleasant Grove, this county, has just returned from a tour of seven weeks in the West. He reports good news for the location of land in southwestern Kansas. He entered a quarter section in Meade county, and says there is a good chance for all honest, industrious men to get land there, and make a good living, yet he says there is no place like Illinois for old Jim Jackson, and no county like Macon, where he will live till he dies. Crop prospects in Kansas look gloomy to an Illinoisan, but the people there say that everything is all right, and the fall sales will show it.

From Thursday's Daily.

A NEW BUSINESS LOCATION.—This morning P. B. Provost, the well-known second-hand furniture dealer, commenced removing his stock of goods from his old stand in opera block to the large store-room at No. 4 Water street, 1st door north of "Cheap Charley's." Mr. Provost feels more at home at this place, as it is the Drake Bros.' old stand, for whom he sold furniture in the long ago. He will keep in stock a complete line of new and stylish furniture, and repair furniture, as heretofore. The new location is a very desirable one, and doubtless Mr. P.'s business will rapidly increase.

2,850 LUNATICS.—The secretary of the State Board of Public Charities, Mr. Wines, has been counting up the insane people of Illinois, and reports that there are 1,650 now inmates of the three state asylums, 500 in the Cook county asylum, and 700 in various county alms-houses—total, 2,850. Besides these there are large numbers kept elsewhere—at home, or in private institutions, in county jails, or roaming at large. It is supposed that there are not much, if any, less than 4,000 in the state.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

May Term, A. D. 1879.

THURSDAY, MAY 15.

Court convened at 8 a. m., when the following cases received attention:

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

People vs. Matthew Ruby; selling liquor to inebriate; continued by the people.

Same vs. Elmira Miller and Elmira Kennedy; keeping house of ill-fame; continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Matthew Ruby; selling liquor to minors; continued by agreement.

Same vs. Fred. Watson; larceny; continued with alias capias.

Same vs. David H. Updike and Louisa Humphrey; incest; continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Tobey Koelmel; selling liquor to minor; stricken from the docket.

Same vs. Samuel Chambers; assault with deadly weapon; continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Barbara Schœnle; tippling house; nolle entered, and prisoner discharged from custody.

Same vs. George Wise; selling liquor without license; bond of $200 defaulted, and case continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Phillip Bauer; selling liquor without license; defendant arraigned, and plead guilty to first seven counts in the indictment; defendant fined $20 and costs on each of said counts, and ordered to stand committed until fines and costs are paid; nolle entered as to other counts.

Same vs. Joseph H. Allen; forgery; continued with alias capias.

Same vs. same; forgery; same order.

Same vs. same; forgery; same order.

Same vs. Loman P. Griggs; contempt; continued with alias capias to Cook co.

Same vs. Michael Fry; contempt; fined $20 and costs, and ordered to stand committed until fines and costs are paid.

Same vs. Edward Aungst; contempt; three cases; fined $1 and costs in each case.

Same vs. Wm. Bennett; contempt; fined $2 and costs.

Same vs. Robert Donahue and John Strausbaugh, contempt; costs of issuing attachments assessed against each.

People vs. Michael K. Carroll and John Carroll; selling liquor to minors; trial by jury; verdict, M. K. Carroll not guilty.—John Carroll guilty on first count, and not guilty on others.

Same vs. same; same charge; trial by jury. Verdict of guilty as to defendants on first, second, fourth and fifth counts. Motion for new trial entered.

Same vs. John Hull, M. K. Carroll and John Carroll; selling liquor to minor. Defendants M. K. and John Carroll arraigned and plead not guilty. Trial by jury pending.

THURSDAY, MAY 15—AFTERNOON.

Court convened at 1 p. m.

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

People vs. Edw. Houston and Michael McGinty; selling liquor to minor; motion by defendants for continuance overruled; trial by jury; verdict of guilty on first count as to Houston, and McGinty not guilty.

Same vs. John Hull, M. K. Carroll and John Carroll; selling liquor to minor; M. K. and John Carroll arraigned and plead not guilty; trial by jury; verdict, not guilty.

Same vs. same; same charge; trial by jury; verdict, not guilty.

Same vs. B. F. Dodson and L. R. Cain; selling liquor to minor; motion by People for continuance allowed.

Same vs. Julius Rinehart and Sophia Rinehart; selling liquor to minor; motion by People for continuance allowed.

Same vs. Wm. Ward; riot; motion for continuance allowed.

Same vs. Michael McGinty; selling liquor to minor; motion by People for continuance allowed.

Same vs. Michael K. Carroll; same charge, and same disposition as above.

Same vs. Thos. Andrews; same charge, and same order.

Same vs. same; same charge, and same order.

Same vs. Andrew Rothfuss; same charge and same order.

Same vs. Thos. Andrews; keeping open tippling house; nolle entered.

Same vs. Michael McMahon; keeping open tippling house; motion to quash indictment allowed.

Same vs. Samuel Ritchie; influencing voters; motion by defendant for continuance allowed.

Same vs. Wm. Brewer; contempt; fined $1 and costs, and stand committed until fine and costs are paid.

Same vs. Wm. Hunsley; contempt; fined $2, and stand committed until fine and costs are paid.

FRIDAY, MAY 16.

Court convened at 8 a. m., and disposed of the following cases:

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Catherine Cox vs. Wm. F. Cox; divorce; continued.

Sidney S. Bonesteel vs. Simon P. Hoy; foreclosure; proof of publication made.

John R. Harshey and Mary Connelly, executors, etc., vs. Fidelia E. Spangler et al.; chancery; proof of publication made, and I. D. Walker appointed guardian *ad litem* for minor defendants.

Lizzie R. Rantzow vs. Otto E. Rantzow; divorce; proof of publication made.

Martin P. Davis vs. Hester A. Davis; divorce; proof of publication made.

Jackson M. Lemmons et al vs. Liza V. Lemmons; partition; proof of publication made; David Hutchinson appointed guardian *ad litem* for minor defendant.

Ella J. Winkey vs. Silas Overmire et al; chancery; proof of publication made.

Mary Ann Morris vs. Chas. C. McComas et al; chancery; proof of publication made.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

James Buckingham vs. Thomas Southworth and Josiah Moore; distress for rent; dismissed by plaintiff.

Edward O. Smith vs. John Burns; distress for rent; default; court to assess damages.

Icyphene C. Hutchin vs. Henry Churchman; replevin; demurrer confessed, and leave to file new declaration instanter.

Eliza Zimmerman vs. Conrad Blenz; assumpsit; default; damages assessed by court, $781.35; judgment.

Robert Farles vs. Wm. Harbert; assumpsit; dismissed by plaintiff.

The Rockford Ins. Co. vs. Wm Morgan; appellant; appeal; dismissed by plaintiff.

Robert Kincade vs. Jos. Junkins; assumpsit; default; damages assessed by court, $151.86; judgment.

I. A. Buckingham vs. John W. Smith et al; assumpsit; default; court to assess damages.

Edward O. Smith vs. Henry A. Thomas; assumpsit; default.

SATURDAY, MAY 17.

Court convened at 8 a. m., when the following business was transacted:

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Charles H. Wingate vs. Jessie H. Boggs et al.; partition; proof of publication made, and Sam C. Clark appointed guardian *ad litem* for minor defendants.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Alexander T. Hill vs. Thos. C. Sterrett et al.; assumpsit; proof of publication made as to J. J. Jones; rule to plead by 2d Monday.

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

The People vs. John Hull, Michael K. Carroll and John Carroll; selling liquor to inebriate; John Carroll recognized with Samuel Brewer and M. K. Carroll as securities for $200, and prisoner released from custody.

The People vs. John Blackburn; burglary and larceny; leave to indorse name of John Lee on the indictment; motion by defendant's attorney, W. C. Johns, for a continuance, overruled; trial by jury. Testimony all in, and argument on behalf of prosecution and defense concluded. The case is given to the jury and after being out eight hours and failing to agree his honor, the Judge, discharged the jury.

ADJOURNED TO MONDAY, MAY 26.

At the conclusion of the Blackburn trial this afternoon Judge Smith announced that court stood adjourned until Monday, May 26th. The business of two weeks has been put through in one week, and the criminal cases on the docket for this term of court have been disposed of. The jurors summoned for the first two weeks of court have been finally discharged, and parties to civil suits and witnesses may go about their business until the 26th.

COURT NOTES.

This forenoon the grand jury returned a true bill against J. W. Kilpatrick, who was arrested the other morning by Policeman Riebsamen and Sheriff Forstmyer, charged with having made the assault on Coroner Dinneen in Jan'y last, and robbing him of $400 in money and a valuable watch. The prisoner is still in jail.

The grand jury adjourned this afternoon until Monday, May 26th.

THE LATE JAMES TRAVIS.

We have been furnished a copy of the Jackson, (Mich.), Daily *Citizen*, May 18th, containing the following notice of the death and burial of a former citizen of this city:

James Travis, Esq., died on the 10th inst., of asthma, of which ailment he had long been a sufferer. Mr. Travis led a quiet life here, as he came here in search of health, which boon was not granted, and he finally yielded to the power of disease. His age was 69 years. He was born in Ohio, and for 20 years had been a resident of Macon county, Ills., where for eleven years he was honored by the confidence of the people in various offices of trust and honor, holding the office of sheriff of that county for a term. Mr. Travis was a man who attached friends to him by his sterling worth and high character. The funeral yesterday was largely attended, the services being conducted by the Knight Templars, of which body he was long a member. He leaves a widow and three sons—Austin, Charles and Wm. Travis, who are residents of this city.

"OLD NED."—The article under the above caption, which we reproduce in to-day's paper from the Chicago *Tribune*, will possess a local interest here, when it is known that the cotton and woolen goods spoken of are largely sold in this section of the country, Capt. Byron Barrett, of this city, being the traveling salesman for the "Wesson Mills." Messrs. Linn & Scruggs, we believe, sell large quantities of these goods, which are deservedly popular.

MALIGNANT AND SUBTLE INDEED is the poison of Scrofula, and terrible are its ravages in the system. They may, however, be permanently stayed and the destructive virus expelled from the circulation with SCOVILL'S BLOOD AND LIVER SYRUP, a potent vegetable detergent which eradicates all skin diseases, leaving no vestige of them behind. White swelling, salt rheum, tetter, abscesses, liver complaint, and eruptions of every description, are invariably conquered by it. For sale by S. M. Irwin, the Live Druggist. [May 5-d&wtf

BOUGHT BY C., B. & Q.

Bankrupt Sale of the "Decatur Agricultural Works" on Yesterday.

The Past and Future of the Buildings.

From Friday's Daily.

By virtue of an order of the United States District Court of the Southern District of Illinois, made March 29, 1879, Dr. O. F. Parker, the assignee, on yesterday sold at public auction, the premises in this city known as the Decatur Agricultural Works, five acres of ground on which the buildings are erected, and all the machinery and tools contained therein, to Chambers, Bering & Quinlan for $1,900.

The purchasers are the well-known manufacturers of the celebrated Barnes' Wire Check Rower, and the Champion and Brown hog ringer and rings. They will retain possession of the works, and with a few slight changes continue in their business as heretofore. In the fall of the present year the firm will add in another remunerative manufacturing enterprise, when they will give employment to a larger force of workmen all the year round.

The notes and accounts of the bankrupt firm were knocked down to B. O. McReynolds for $20.25. The personal property, including office safes, letter press, Fairbanks and Howe Scales, 60 plows, stoves, plow-beams, old iron, etc., went to various parties, at very low prices.

RETROSPECTIVE.

The works were erected in the fall of 1863, by Barber & Hawley, who came here from Pekin, Ill., at a cost, including the machinery and fixtures, of $79,000. They manufactured the Stafford Cultivator, the Sattley Gang Plow, and Haines' Illinois Harvester. The business was conducted by this firm until the spring of '67, when the property was sold on judgment notes held by T. S. Dobbins, of Peoria, who became the owner. In the fall of '68 the property was again sold, this time for $26,000, and the "Decatur Agricultural Works," a stock company of citizens of Decatur, took possession, and engaged extensively in the manufacture and sale of all kinds of agricultural implements. In the spring of '74 the works shut down and operations ceased for the time being. During the fall of the same year Wm. B. Chambers and W. J. Quinlan took charge of the building, opened an office, and began to square up the business of the old firm, and sold off a great amount of the manufactured stock still on hand.

About this time Chambers & Quinlan began the manufacture of the Champion and Brown hog-ringer and rings, in which business the new firm of Chambers, Bering & Quinlan have engaged on an extensive scale, including the manufacture of the Barnes Wire Check Rower, a great favorite with the farmers in all parts of the country.

As above stated, Chambers, Bering & Quinlan will continue to occupy the premises, and as they will engage more extensively in the manufacturing business than heretofore, giving steady employment to workmen throughout the year, the future of the works may be put down as bright and prosperous.

RAILROAD NEWS.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the P., L. & D. road, held at Pekin, May 13, John T. Martin, of New York; R. B. Latham, Lincoln, and K. Harwood, Decatur, were re-elected directors for three years. The directors re-elected C. R. Cummings, president; R. B. Latham, vice president, and R. A. Burke, secretary and treasurer.

We understand the I., D. & S. R'y Co. is as yet undecided as to where they will locate their permanent shops, which will be built as soon as the remainder of the line is completed. Indianapolis is working in the matter, and we hope to see some move made in Decatur. We have every advantage to offer them, and their location here would be a valuable acquisition to the city's interests. Let the matter be investigated, and, if possible, some move made.

Engine No. 2, "John C. Martin," Charley Nutting, engineer, and M. Clark, fireman, has just been turned out of the P., L. & D. shops at Pekin. It was thoroughly overhauled and beautifully repainted under the direction of Master Mechanic E. Clements. It is a thing of beauty and a joy forever to Nutting, and don't you forget it.

The I., D. & S. Co. will this season erect a large and commodious depot building on their Decatur ground, where their present building is located.

The contract for grading, bridging, trestle work and masonry, on the eastern extension of the I., D. & S. R'y, has been awarded to Messrs. Erwin & Huestis, of Crawfordsville, Ind., and work commenced some time ago. The provisions of the contract are such that this part of the work must be completed by Sept. 15th, when a large force of men will be placed on the line and the ties and iron laid from both ends. And it is now expected that as early as Oct. 15th trains will be running through Decatur to Indianapolis, and the two great railroad centers of the sister states connected by an "air line." When completed the line will be 152 miles long, and but three miles out of an air line.—The steel with which the extension will be laid is of the very best, and it is the intention of the company to relay the old part of the road with the same.

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TELEGRAPHIC

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Ex-Senator Barnum, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, was summoned here last week by some of the leading Democratic Senators to consult about the political situation and the advisability of issuing an address to the country. He arrived on Saturday, and has been in constant consultation since with the Democratic managers about the good of the party. He has not attempted to conceal his dissatisfaction with the political outlook, and the belief that great danger threatens the Democratic party in 1880, in consequence of the blunders committed by the Democrats in both branches of Congress in their treatment of the appropriation bills. Mr. Barnum's frankness is not altogether liked by the Democratic managers here, who are not willing to admit that they have blundered. The result of Mr. Barnum's visit and consultation will be made manifest in a few days.

Senator Blaine was greeted with a very large audience to-day. He took the floor at 1 o'clock, and, before speaking to the Legislative Appropriation bill proper, he noticed briefly the attempt of Senator Eaton to show that Daniel Webster, in the closing hours of his life, changed his views regarding the national Government, and spoke of the United States as a confederation of States, or a compact between the States, and not as a Federal Union. Mr. Blaine showed from Mr. Webster's published speeches that he had been grossly maligned, and that he never changed his views regarding the construction of the national Government. Before Mr. Blaine took the floor, the Senate agreed to close the debate on the Legislative Appropriation bill to-morrow at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Blaine concluded his speech at 3 o'clock, having spoken two hours. He said very little regarding the pending bill, the time being occupied mostly with colloquies with Senators Bayard and Eaton. Both of these Senators were badly handled. In conclusion Mr. Blaine said that the Government would not be overthrown and was ready for another rebellion, whether in the shape of withholding appropriations or by an armed force. The Democrats would be forced to submit by the people, and to make the necessary appropriations for supplies. Mr. Vance, of North Carolina, followed Mr. Blaine.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—In response to a letter addressed to Secretary Schurz, inquiring what amount of funds can be made available monthly for the payment of arrears due upon pensions allowed prior to January 25th, the Secretary of the Treasury states that, including the amount already paid, $2,500,000 will be available prior to July 12th, and two million dollars monthly thereafter. At this rate nearly the whole of the next five years will be required to complete the payment of these arrears. The Commissioner of Pensions, in view of this, has issued a circular letter to applicants for arrears, saying a comparatively small number of cases only can be adjusted monthly, and therefore some delay may occur in the settlement of claims, but the settlement will be made in such order as to distribute payments equally among pension agencies as near as may be.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—The body of the late Auditor Maynard was brought to this city last night. The report of the suicide was correct. He left his friends in the amalgamating room of the Givin mine a few moments, went into an adjoining room where a Chinaman was at work, picked up a carving knife, and complaining that it was dull sharpened it on a whetstone, and then stepped into the ice house. Here he was found sitting a few moments after. On the arrival of his friends, he said, "I have killed myself in a fit of mental depression." Fourteen wounds were found in his breast and abdomen. He died three hours after.

WILKESBARRE, May 18.—The breaker at the Stanton shaft of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre coal company burned this morning. The origin of the fire is involved in considerable mystery, but the general belief is that it was caused by the accidental ignition of gas, which has been issuing from the shaft in a great volume since the explosion of May 7th. The original cost of the breaker and shaft was $250,000. The breaker was insured for $49,000.

QUINCY, Ill., May 17.—Owing to the fact that a large number of the heaviest tax-payers refused to pay their city tax, claiming the per cent. to be in excess of the amount allowed by the charter, Mayor Rogers will, on Monday, issue an order discharging the police and fire departments, to take effect after May 31. He has already notified the gas and water companies that there is no money to pay them, and that they must look out for themselves if they continue the supply.

DOCTORS GIVE HIM UP.

"Is it possible that Mr. Godfrey is up and at work, and cured by so simple a remedy?"

"I assure you it is true that he is entirely cured, and with nothing but Hop Bitters, and only ten days ago his doctors gave him up and said he must die!"

"Well a-day! If that is so, I will go this minute and get some for my poor George. I know hops are good."

FULL line of the latest and most stylish carpets in the city, at Abel & Locke's establishment.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—When the Silver bill was taken up in the House, after the morning hour, Mr. Conger moved to lay the third section on the table, which, if carried, would carry the entire bill with it. The vote, which was regarded as a test one, was watched with great interest. The motion did not prevail, the yeas being 112 and the nays 116.

The Republicans gave notice that unless the understanding that the vote should be taken on Mr. Fort's amendment was carried out, they would filibuster and prevent a quorum.

Mr. Warner declined to allow a vote to be taken on the amendment; whereupon the Republicans abstained from voting, and left the House without any quorum.

Finding that he could not carry out this programme entirely, Mr. Warner finally yielded and consented that a vote should be taken on Mr. Fort's amendment to strike out the third section and insert, instead, a section providing that "any owner of silver bullion may deposit the same at its market value, and receive in exchange standard silver dollars."

On a rising vote, the amendment was carried, but the yeas and nays were ordered. The vote resulted: 104 yeas to 118 nays.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The legislative bill which passed the Senate to-day will be sent to the House to-morrow and immediately referred to the Appropriation Committee. It is the intention of Mr. Atkins, "Chairman," to dispose of the Senate amendment at once, so as to submit the bill to the President this week. This will enable the President to return it to the House with his objections by Monday or Tuesday.

In anticipation of receiving the legislative appropriation bill, with the proposed repeal of the election laws within a few days, the President has directed the Attorney General to examine the amendments, as it now has been finally passed by both Houses, and prepare a digest of the statutes affected by the repeal, and such other information as may be of importance in connection with the case.

Ex-Senator Barnum, of the National Democratic Executive Committee, had a conference with Speaker Randall, Representative Springer, and other leading Democrats of the House, to-day, to lay out a programme for the fall campaign, and to see that the Democratic speeches bearing on the pending issues between Congress and the President were thoroughly circulated among all classes, north and south; and it is proposed to raise a fund for that purpose, also for securing proper speakers to canvass New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and other States where elections are to be held. Mr. Barnum impressed upon the gentlemen present the importance of making a vigorous contest in the fall elections; that the peculiar circumstances attending the political situation render it necessary that the Democratic party should at least hold its own in order to preserve the prestige of success for 1880. It was apparent that much apprehension was felt in regard to the state of public sentiment in the north, and it was admitted that the best course for the party to pursue would be to dispose of the pending questions at once, and thus close the contest as quickly as possible.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-office, at Decatur, Macon co., Illinois, May 21, 1879.

Bener Emily	Henderson Hiram
Brown Frank A	Hataway Miss Mollie
Cummings John	Jordon Martha J
Carrier Jennie W	Jennings Orie
Conlan Martin	Kuhns H B
Conard William	Loyd C
Deland D L	Landis Emma
Davis Miss Ida	McIntyne Wm H
Fieldman F H (2)	Osborn Silas
Faltner E M	Peck Ella B
Gosborn Miss Inez	Smith H R
Gorden Mrs M E	Stoy Geo W

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MODERN CHEMISTRY.

By the chemical skill of Dr. Price, we have now for our ices, creams and pastry, the most delicious fruit flavors. Those who wish to make their delicacies enjoyable, will make use of Dr. Price's Special Flavoring Extracts, on account of their nice flavor and safety.

PHYSICIANS' prescriptions carefully filled at W. C. Armstrong's drug store, by the most experienced compounder in the city.

From Wednesday's Daily.

DIED.

At his late residence on East Main st., in this city, at 8:15 o'clock this morning, of consumption, Charles H. Barr, aged about 35 years.

Deceased leaves a wife and two or three children. During the war he was a lieutenant in a New York regiment, and was a nephew of L. R. Cain.

STUTTERING cured by Bates' Appliances. Send for description to Simpson & Co., Box 2236, New York.
May 15—w4t

For choice New York Buckwheat Flour go to SHELLABARGER'S.
Dec 18-d&wtf

THIS morning we saw some of the finest strawberries of the season, "The Monarchs of the West," at Imboden's market, on South Main street. Mr Imboden keeps a first-class market, and our citizens will always find him with all the choicest vegetables and fruits of the season, as well as a full line of fresh fish.

AN HONEST indifference to many prevailing complaints is the result of using Dr. Bull's Baltimore Pills. For sale by all druggists. Price 25 cents.

PRETTY AND YOUNG.

In every feature but the hair, which had grown white from fever. This lady at 35 writes us: "I have used Parker's Hair Balsam six months and am more than pleased with it. It has restored the natural brown color of my hair, and given it a silky softness, nicer than ever before. There is no Dandruff, no falling hair, and it leaves the scalp so clean and nice and cool that I am ever so much pleased, and I feel and look like myself again." The beautiful, fresh and vigorous hair it produces, together with its property of restoring gray or faded hair to the natural youthful color, and entirely freeing the head from dandruff and itching, surprises no less than it pleases. Sold in large bottles, at only 50 cts. and $1.00, by all first class druggists.

THE ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL, DECATUR.—The writer had the pleasure of dining at the St. Nicholas Hotel, Decatur, on Monday last, in company with Judge Scott, of the Supreme Court; Judge Smith, of the Circuit Court, Samuel R. Reed, Esq., of Monticello, and Maj. J. W. Wilkin, candidates for the same, and Col. Froman, of Vandalia, the only surviving colonel of volunteers from the state in the Mexican war, a staunch democrat. We found the above celebrated caravansary in the enjoyment of a big run of custom as usual, the tables fairly groaning under all the luxuries of the season, and the rooms as clean and neat as a pin. Don't fail to give the St. Nick a call when visiting the "Indianapolis of Illinois."—*Tuscola Review*

MACON county has a great number of old people who are slowly approaching the shores of eternity, but none we can hear of quite as ancient in years as a married pair at Fall River, Mass., whose united ages are more than 205 years. The husband, Francis Minor, was born in St. Mary's, Canada, and was 102 years last January; the wife was born in St. Charles, Canada, and will be 104 years old next November. The woman is the more vigorous of the two, but both are obliged to keep their beds most of the time.

From Wednesday's Daily.

LITTLE CLAUDE BELL, the three year old child who met with a distressing accident some months ago by having a sharp pointed stick run through his head, died last night. Strong hopes were entertained that he would finally recover, but last evening he had several violent spasms, expiring suddenly.

FREE OF COST.

The most wonderful remedy of the age is now placed within the reach of all. Be he be rich or be he poor, it costs nothing to give this great remedy a trial. DR. KING'S CALIFORNIA GOLDEN COMPOUND, for Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Low Spirits, Loss of Appetite, Sour Stomach, Coming up of Food, Yellow Complexion, General Debility, Inactivity and Drowsiness, Liver Complaint, Jaundice and Biliousness, for which it is a certain and speedy cure. No person should be without it. It order to prove that it will do all that we claim for it you are given a trial bottle *free of cost*, which will convince you of its truly wonderful merits, and show you a regular one dollar size bottle will do. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen

100,000 Bushels of Corn Wanted by Linn & Scruggs, for which they will pay two cents a bushel more than the highest market price in merchandise, at lowest cash prices, the corn to be delivered at D. S. Shellabarger & Co.'s mill.
Jan. 1—d&wtf

Mme. Demorest's Reliable Patterns; the instructive "What to Wear," 15 cts., and Portfolios, 15 cents, just received by LINN & SCRUGGS. [mar15d&wtf

A FEW days ago Abel & Locke received a new and complete line of house-furnishing goods, which they are selling at remarkably low prices.

D. F. Hamsher, the wagon maker, will be ready for business in his new two-story brick shop on Wood street near the American House on June 1st. He will be better prepared than ever to fill orders from the farming community.

MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, ILL., May 21, 1879.

GRAIN MARKET.

FLOUR—White Wheat selling per hundred lbs	$3.25@3.50
FLOUR—Red wheat selling per hundred lbs	3.00
CORN MEAL—White selling	.50
" " —Yellow "	.45
SHORTS—Per hundred, selling	1.00
CORN	.30
WHEAT	.80@1.00
OATS	.18

FARM PRODUCE.

POTATOES	40@50
BUTTER—Per lb	15@18
EGGS—Per dozen	.08
LARD—Selling	.10
SIDE-BACON Selling	.10
HAMS—Selling	.10@.15
CHICKENS—Per dozen, live	1.50@1.70
" " " dressed,	2.00@2.55
TURKEYS—Dressed	.7@.8
ONIONS—Per bushel	.35@40
APPLES—Per bushel	50@75
TIMOTHY HAY—New, per ton	5.00
FAT CATTLE—Per cwt.	3.50@4.00
HOGS—Per cwt.	2.50@3.00
WOOL—Fine, unwashed	.16@.18
" —" washed	.20@.23
" —Tub-washed	.25@.28
HIDES—Green	4½
" —" damaged	½ price
" —Dry	8@12½
SHEEP PELTS—Apiece	50@75
TALLOW—Per pound	4½

JUDICIAL ELECTION.

WE are authorized to announce OLIVER L. DAVIS, of Danville, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of the Circuit Court.

WE are authorized to announce Hon. G. R. FICKLIN, of Coles county, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court.

WE are authorized to announce JOHN M. SCOTT as a candidate for re-election in the third election district to the office of Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, at the ensuing June election.

WE are authorized to announce BENJAMIN S. EDWARDS, of Springfield, as a candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court.

WE are authorized to announce JACOB W. WILKIN, of Clark county, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN:—Please announce that C. H. SMITH is a candidate for re-election for Circuit Judge for the 4th circuit.

WE are authorized to announce A. B. HUNN, of Macon county, as a candidate for Judge of the circuit court in this judicial district.

WILLIAM E. NELSON, of Macon count is a candidate for re-election as Judge of the circuit court for the 4th judicial district.

WE are authorized to announce SAMUEL R. REED, of Piatt county, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court, in the 4th judicial district.

AGENTS WANTED for the *Best and Fastest Selling* Pictorial Books and Bibles. Prices reduced 33 per cent. National Publishing Co., Chicago, Ill.

WANTED!! A YOUNG MAN who can control the Boot and Shoe Business in this county. Address, with references, J. H. VAN FASSEN, 500 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

CHEAPEST BOOK-STORE in the World. 53,672 Superb English Books AT OUR PRICE 73,276 New American Books AT OUR PRICE 112,736 Second-hand Books AT ANY PRICE. Catalogue of General Literature FREE. LEGGAT BROTHERS, 3 Beekman St., near Post Office, New York.

NEW RICH BLOOD! PARSON'S PURGATIVE PILLS make New Rich Blood, and will completely change the blood in the entire system in three months. Any person who will take 1 pill each night from one to twelve weeks may be restored to sound health, if such a thing be possible. Sent by mail for 8 letter stamps. I. S. JOHNSON & CO., Bangor, Maine.

ATWOOD'S QUININE TONIC BITTERS.

The Most Agreeable Tonic and Best Stomachic Ever Offered the Public.

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THERE IS NO REMEDY SO GOOD FOR LANGUOR AND DEBILITY.

The medical faculty indorse it for Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Nervous Debility, Loss of Appetite, and all diseases arising from a Disordered Liver or Stomach.

Persons living in or visiting sections where Malaria, Fever and Ague, Bilious Fever, etc., are the characteristic diseases, should be provided with this valuable medicine. It is a sure preventive for all ailments arising from malarial causes. It is a preparation of QUININE, one of the best Remedial Agents which the science of Chemistry has placed at the disposal of the physician, combined with other valuable tonics, delicately flavored with choice aromatics to please the taste.

PRICE ONE DOLLAR PER BOTTLE.

For sale by all the Wholesale Druggists in Chicago, and Medicine Dealers generally.
May 8—w4w

If you are a man of business, weakened by the strain of your duties, avoid stimulants and take HOP BITTERS.

If you are a man of letters, toiling over your midnight work, to restore brain and nerve waste, take HOP BITTERS.

If you are young, and suffering from any indiscretion or dissipation, take HOP BITTERS.

If you are married or single, old or young, suffering from poor health or languishing on a bed of sickness, take HOP BITTERS.

Whoever you are, wherever you are, whenever you feel that your system needs cleansing, toning or stimulating, without *intoxicating*, take HOP BITTERS.

Have you *dyspepsia, kidney or urinary complaint*, disease of the *stomach, bowels, blood, liver or nerves?* You will be cured if you take HOP BITTERS.

If you are simply ailing, are weak and low spirited, try it. Buy it. Insist upon it. Your druggist keeps it. HOP BITTERS.

It may save your life. It has saved hundreds.
May 1—w4w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of GEORGE W. JOHNSON, Dec'd.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of George W. Johnson, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the County Court of Macon county, to be holden at the Court House, in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of July, A. D. 1879, being the first day of said term.

Decatur, Ill., May 8, A. D. 1879.
W. T. MOFFETT, Administrator.
May 8—w3w

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Where you will always find a stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries and

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WE ROAST AND GRIND OUR OWN COFFEE.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

Of all kinds taken in exchange for goods.

HENRY LYON.

Decatur, Mar. 1879-wtf

A GOOD PLAN.

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May 8—wtf

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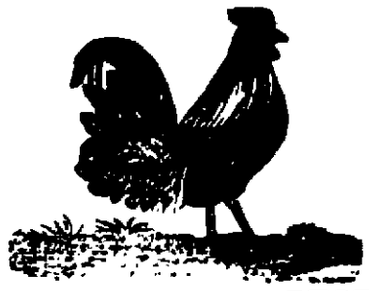

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